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'Israel's attitude' caused Mubarak to skip summit

Economic parley to be held on time **DOUGLAS DAVIS** and news agencies

EGYPTIAN President Hosni Mubarak said yesterday he stayed away from the summit in Washington because he was displeased with Israel's attitude and actions toward the Palestinians.

"Our absence does give an indication that we are not pleased with the situation and obstinate acts of Israel concerning the Palestinians," Mubarak told reporters, before inaugurating a new line of the Cairo under-

However, Mubarak said Egypt would hold the regional economic summit next month in spite of last week's clashes.

"We are going to hold the economic summit. It is in our benefit to hold the summit. Those countries that want to come are welcome and those who don't - well it's their business. We're saying that the summit is on," Mubarak

Mubarak criticized Netanyahu's opening of the Hasmonean Tunnel exit last week, and his recent statements saying that the tunnel would remain open.

"The statements that came out of the prime minister of Israel were discouraging to a great extent. He was challenging the public opinion in the Arab world, in the Moslem world and the Christian world," Mubarak said.

"Violence and terrorism will never come to an end unless the peace process moves forward... unless the people feel or trust the progress in the peace process. I think it is detrimental to attend and listen and to agree with what Mr. Netanyahu says." The Egyptian president said he

had given Netanyahu "one, two, three chances" and last urged him to take action on Hebron in a telephone conversation last Wednesday. , "I told him: Netanyahu, do

something. Redeploy in Hebron so that people can see you are doing something. He did not respond, but simply changed the subject."

In an interview published in the London-based daily Al-Hayat yesterday, Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa said the summit "should not be held in an atmosphere of 'no expectations' and end unsuccessfully because the deteriorating situation in the Palestinian territories can be expected to continue."

Mubarak had decided to stay away, he said, because the Egyptian Foreign Ministry had assessed there would be no movement in Netanyahu's previously declared positions.

"On present calculations, Netanyahu will not budge. That is why President Mubarak took his decision on this matter."

Moussa stressed the importance of the US's role but thought it unlikely that the Clinton administration would apply the necessary pressure to extract concessions from Netanyahu and he therefore (Continued on Page 2)



PM rejects firm deadline on Hebron

Netanyahu, Arafat hold marathon

session DAVID MAKOVSKY and HILLEL KUTTLER

WASHINGTON

AFTER a day of White House talks to restart the Middle East peace process, there is a plan being considered whereby Israel will announce a "good faith effort" to complete the Hebron

redeployment by a specific date, diplomatic sources said last night. Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu opposes setting a firm deadline for the redeployment, since he said he believes it will only underwine (creel's peroviet. only undermine (srael's negotiating position and encourage the Palestinians to resist any modification of the security arrange-ments mentioned in Oslo 2's Hebron redeployment agreement.

An Israeli official confirmed to reporters that US President Bill Clinton asked Netanyahu for a firm date on redeployment but Netanyahu refused. The official said Clinton wanted to ensure the summit secured "two baskets:" a renunciation of violence as a way to achieve political goals and some form of a timetable on Hebron redeployment.

However, what sources called a "soft" deadline would demonstrate that Israel is genuinely interested in resolving the dispute over Hebron, while not being pinned down to an arbitrary date, should it emerge that its security concerns are not being taken seriously by the Palestinians.

Netanyahu and Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat also met yesterday. Their one-onone meeting lasted over three hours, after which Netanyahu's attorney Yitzhak Molho and top



PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, Jordan's King Hussein, President Bill Clinton and Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu walk on the White House grounds during the first day of talks yesterday.

Palestinian negotiator Mahmoud Abbas joined the two. The talks were expected to continue into the night. Netanyahu canceled his evening appointment with Republican presidential candidate

Netanyahu's foreign policy adviser Dore Gold and cabinet secretary Danny Naveh met with Palestinian ministers Saeb Erekat and Nabil Shaath in another part

of the White House. In Blair House, Foreign Minister David Levy met with Palestinian and Jordanian officials, with the participation of US Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

Both White House spokesman Mike McCurry and Israeli officials described the Netanyahu-Arafat discussion as informal but respectful. They provided no details on any progress between the two.

"They're not at a point yet where they're exploring specific formulae for resolving these dif-ferences," McCurry said. "That, if it comes, will no doubt come down the road at some point."

"They have a number of very

deep differences that divide them and it's very important, I think, for them to establish a personal relationship that allows them to deal very honestly and very forthrightly with the differences that do

exist," McCurry stated.
"Reestablishing some ability for the leaders to address their differences directly was one of the principal goals here, and we've moved

in that direction today.' He said-that while Netanyahu and Arafat raised contentious issues, "there were no words spo-

ken in anger [or] in a tone of

recrimination." Sources said that the US pre-

sented Netanyahu with a six-point document they urged him to consider to resolve outstanding problems with the Palestinians. The document asked for:

• a good faith effort to decide when the Hebron redeployment will occur

• a date by which the inner closure around the major Palestinian cities will be lifted

• the release of female prisoners · a time when final-status negotiations on the territories will begin

US to deduct \$60m. from loan guarantees

HILLEL KUTTLER WASHINGTON

THE US will deduct only \$60 million from Israel's annual loan guarantees for the second year in a row, Finance Minister Dan Meridor told the Washington Institute for Near East Policy yesterday.

That amount is a mandated dollar-for-dollar penalty for Israeli spending over the Green Line. Meridor said such spending this year stands at \$307m., although Israel bene-fits from a "deduction from the deduction" for the \$247m. it spent for bypass roads and other expenses considered to be in accordance with the Oslo

Meridor said Israel is "very thankful" to US President Bill Clinton for agreeing to that benefit, which was worked out last year between Clinton and prime minister Yitzhak Rabin.

a modicum of regular consultation between Netanyahu and Arafat

 economic assistance to the PA Regarding the last point, sources said the US is furious at Netanyahu for not following through on a promise that he made to Clinton a few weeks ago about speaking to Congressman Benjamin Gilman (R-NY), head of the House International Affairs Committee. Gilman has held up \$10 million in assistance to the Palestinians since November. Israeli officials confirmed that Netanyahu had promised to ask Gilman to release the funds, but so far has not done so.

In opening the summit, Clinton told reporters the gathering "clearly symbolizes our commitment to (Continued on Page 2)

Forces on alert in case summit breaks down

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

ISRAELI forces are on alert for a renewed eruption of violence should the summit in Washington fail to produce an agreement between Israel and the Palestinians on resuming the peace process. Senior commanders said the IDF won't hesitate to use snipers, tanks and attack helicopters if needed to put down armed assaults on Israeli

The GSS and IDF have warned of planned attacks by Hamas, Islamic Jihad and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai confirmed yesterday that there had been a number of attempted attacks by Muslim fundamentalists in the past few days,

but he declined to elaborate. "I am not speaking about any specific event," Mordechai said. "I can only assure you that we are doing everything we can to offer security, both in perception and in reality," he told Israel Radio.

Meanwhile, the army said that the joint Israeli-Palestinian patrols in the West Bank would not resume for the time being. OC Central Command Maj-Gen. Uzi Dayan said a "fundamental fissure" had opened between IDF soldiers and Palestinian Police.

"In some cases, the Palestinian Police took part in shooting at Israelis. Until this point is clarified, and there is an agreement on its significance and the steps to be taken, the entire issue of cooperation is in doubt." Davan told reporters following a visit to wounded soldiers at Jerusalem's Hadassah-University Hospital at Ein Kerem.

The patrols in Judea and Samaria are in Area A. The security situation and the tension in the field at this point ... would be endangering the lives of Israeli soldiers" should they enter the Palestinian-controlled Dayan said.

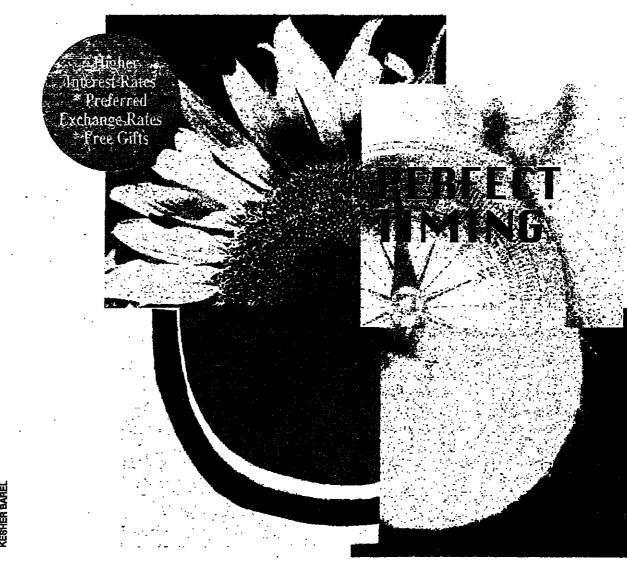
(Continued on Page 2) PA officer: Orders were to shoot at Israeli forces if they fired in the air

PALESTINIAN police in the Bethlehem area received orders last week from their commanders to fire in response to Israeli soldiers firing in the air, an officer from Bethlehem said.

"In the meetings between the political ranks of the PA and the military ranks in Bethlehem, orders were given to Palestinian police deployed near IDF soldiers to open fire [if warning shots were fired]," he said. They were forbidden to use their weapons if the IDF used rubber bullets or tear gas, but "in the event that the IDF soldiers fire warning shots in the air, the police were permitted to use their weapons," he said. It was unclear if this meant to fire in the air or at the IDF, or if similar

orders were given in other PA-controlled areas. When asked if the IDF was aware of these orders, the IDF Spokesman responded, "There are different levels of contact between the IDF and the Palestinian Police. In this case, it was not the IDF's affair what the orders for opening fire were for the Palestinian Police. The IDF forces were given the order that they were permitted to react using all necessary force [in accordance with] the area commander's judgement."





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EU blames Israel for conflict, calls on Netanyahu to meet Arafat's demands

LUXEMBOURG - The European Union yesterday urged Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu to meet key Palestinian demands pre-sented at the Washington summit and criticized Israel for its handling of the latest Middle Fast crisis.

The 15 EU foreign ministers backed a call by Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat that the new exit to the Hasmonean Tunnel be closed and called on Netanyahu to honor his predecessors' promise to redeploy in Hebron. The EU blamed Israel for sparking the violence by being too slow in meeting commitments set out in earlier Israeli-Palestinian

The European Union ... calls on Israel to match its stated commitment to the peace process with concrete actions," the EU state-

The statement came hours after Arafat met a delegation of EU ministers in Luxembourg on Monday night, during a stopover on his way to meet Netanyahu at

EU ministers stressed their appeal for restraint and negotiations applied to both sides, but it was clear their criticism was directed mostly at Israel.

There is a responsibility on behalf of the Israelis, who say they are committed to the peace process, to demonstrate that not merely by rhetoric." British Foreign Secretary Malcolm Rifkind said. EU ministers called on

Netanyahu to retract his vow never to close the tunnel and urged that it be "restored to its original state." Despite the criticism, the EU steered clear of any hint of eco-nomic sanctions against Israel, which trades heavily with the union. "The EU is not reconsiderng its relations with Israel,"

Underscoring their support for the region, the EU ministers agreed immediately to a request that Arafat made Monday for an tion. They also agreed the EU should negotiate a wide-ranging trade agreement with the

Arafat is to travel to France on Friday for talks with President Jacques Chirac, French Foreign Minister Herve de Charette said

"Arafat will be in Paris on

Friday night coming back from Washington and will be able to meet the president," he said during a meeting of EU foreign ministers. French Foreign Ministry spokesman Jacques Rummelhardt said that France believed there was no alternative to the application of agreements signed between the Palestinians and the Labor government, including those calling for final-status talks about Palestinian areas.

He said Chirac and de Charette spoke to Arafat by telephone several times in the past few days and he said they expressed regret



US President Bill Clinton meets with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu in the Oval Office of the White House yesterday morn-

Mubarak's absence from Washington summit is cause for concern – expert

Tense quiet in West Bank, as Palestinians await summit results

AS Palestinians await developments in Washington, the total closure imposed on the West Bank enters its fifth day today.

Most residents are also restricted to the areas in which they live, as a double row of IDF and Palestinian Authority checkpoints has created a no-man's land between them on the outskirts of the main towns.

Outside each town, tanks sit in readiness. In Bethlehem the tanks sit just inside the Gilo checkpoint, less than kilometer from the Bethlehem police headquarters. To get there, a tank would have to smash down the Israeli security

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Tomb, but once past there the way would be clear, as the PA has widened and paved the road. Inside some towns, PA police sit in fortified bunkers overlooking Israeli positions, while IDF soldiers are in new guard towers overlooking the

Hebron, whose fate is on the line in Washington, is the only town under a complete curfew, with a four-hour respite from dawn to 8 a.m., although yesterday it was extended to 9.30 am. Apart from a few shops open during those hours,

do not go to school. Each suspen-EGYPTIAN President Hosni sion of the curfew has brought stone-throwers into the streets.

In Gaza yesterday, two funerals, of a boy and a policeman who died in hospital from wounds sustained in last week's riots, brought out hundreds, many of them chanting "death to the Jews."

Ambulances have been all but barred from crossing into Israel, because of attempts to smuggle people who were not sick into the country, the IDF said. Israel's Physicians for Human Rights complained that genuine patients in urgent need of dialysis treatment

Peres: Arafat did not initiate firing on Israeli soldiers

LABOR Party leader Shimon Peres said yesterday that Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat did not initiate the opening of Palestinian Police fire on IDF soldiers last week.

After last week's unrest, triggered by the opening of the Hasmonean Tunnel exit, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said he held Arafat responsible for the shooting.

Amal attacks SLA post

Boy wounded by stones

MICHAL YUDELMAN

"I do not believe Arafat initiated it, the IDF also said as much. Arafat realized quite swiftly that it was a blow to the Palestinian Authority, a terrible mistake, from his perspective as well," Peres, who was on a tour of the

Negev, urged Netanyahu not to

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The Amal Shi'ite movement claimed responsibility for an attack

There were no casualties, and IDF and SLA gunners returned fire.

yesterday with machine guns and light weapons on a South

Lebanese Army post in the western sector of the security zone.

In a separate incident late on Monday night, gunmen fired machine guns and light weapons at another SLA position in the

northeastern sector of the zone. There were no casualties in that

An Israeli youngster was lightly wounded yesterday morning near

Dhahiriya in the Hebron Hills, when stones were thrown at the car

government's policy basic guidelines "and not to give a prize for the serious and intolerable violation of the [Oslo] agreement given violent expression by the Palestinian Police."

The party said any progress on the diplomatic front should take into consideration the willingness and ability of the Palestinian

Authority to abide by the agreement. Yisrael Ba'aliya leader and Industry and Trade Minister Natan Sharansky is accompanying the prime minister on his Washington visit.

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20 Windsor Road, London.

he was riding in. The boy was treated on the spot and the army searched the area, the IDF Spokesman said.

Yisrael Ba'aliya: PM should stand firm Yisrael Ba'aliya yesterday issued a statement calling on the prime minister to stand firm on Israeli vital interests written in the

incident either and IDF and SLA gunners returned fire.

neglect relations with Egypt, either. Asked whether the peace accord with Egypt is in danger, Peres said he hopes it is not, since "the treaty with Egypt is the central core of all regional peace. There have been times in which our relations with Egypt weakened, then mended. But we must not enable them to be weakened again at such a critical, tense hour such as this."

IDF eases ban on Israeli journalists in Palestiniancontrolled areas

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

UNDER heavy pressure from journalists and civil rights groups, the IDF has eased its ban of Israeli journalists from Palestinian-controlled areas and is now letting them in if they are escorted by the Palestinian

The IDF Spokesman said the decision came after army had "reassessed the situation."

It now conditions the entry into Area A on the Israeli journalists coordinating their entry with the Palestinian Authority.

Only those who are met by Palestinian policemen at IDFguarded entrances to Area A will be permitted to enter, the army

Meanwhile, Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak promoted to first lieutenant the army doctor who helped evacuate and treat members of a Channel 2 crew who, were wounded and pinned down by Palestinian gunfire at the Erez crossing last Thursday.

Shahak awarded the promotion to Dr. Reuven Bolchineski when he visited wounded soldiers at Barzilai Hospital in Ashkelon. The doctor was not an officer and was serving following an academic deferment.

Mubarak's decision not to participate in the Washington summit is a further indication of his country's tense relations with Israel, according to Dr. Yoram Meital of Ben-Gurion University, an expert on Egyptian affairs. Meital said Mubarak's absence

from the meeting, in conjunction with the increased attacks in the Egyptian press on the govern-ment and Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu in particu-

lar, are worrisome.

This is a red warning light about the situation at the moment and what could happen in the future," said Meital.

from the summit and the tension in Israeli-Palestinian relations this in turn is likely to have an even more adverse effect on relations between Israel and Egypt,"

"In these circumstances we could well see Egypt making use

Meital stressed that there are

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of the UN and the Arab League as forums for the campaign against the government's poli-cies, as well as putting pressure on Israel on the bilateral level and even forming a diplomatic Arab coalition.

"If these measures do not succeed, then there might come a stage when Egypt would decide to recall its ambassador, who have the Callei Deny, from Tel Aviv. We might also see even more rhetoric in the Egyptian press, with the public being allowed to demonstrate in the "If there is no positive outcome streets, hand in protests to the Israeli embassy in Cairo, and even burn Israeli flags.

"I'm not saying that all of this would happen automatically, but these are certainly possibilities which would probably be phased over a period of time," Meital

no signs at the moment that Egypt has any intention of launching a war against Israel in the near future.

"I think the Egyptians would first exhaust all diplomatic means before completely breaking off ties with Israel and mobihappening in the short term," he said. lizing forces and I don't see this Meital noted that Egypt had

originally been the first to offer its services as a mediator between Israel and the Palestinians over the opening of the Hasmonean Tunnel in Jerusalem, before fighting broke out. This was initially accepted diplomatic attention switched to the UN and then Washington.

"The Egyptians are pressing for concrete measures on the part of the Prime Minister and the government, including redeployment

in Hebron and other areas according to the Oslo accords, as well as progress in talks on the final-status arrangements," said Meital.

"Mubarak and the decisionmakers in Egypt appear to have concluded, however, that because of the election campaign in the US, nothing positive is likely to result from the Washington sum-

"Instead, Mubarak has sent Foreign Minister Amr Moussa in his place to appease the Americans, while he can stay at home and observe from the sidelines." Meital said the presence of Moussa at the meeting would probably be sufficient to offset the apparent rebuff to President Bill Clinton.

"I think the Americans are aware of the fact that this level of participation is a kind of protest. Nevertheless. I can't see this dramatically affecting relations between Cairo and Washington,"

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(Continued from Page 1) end the violence and get the peace process going again. We've come a long way in the last three years. No one wants to turn back."

The Netanyahu-Arafat meeting was their first since convening at Erez early last month. It was suggested by Clinton, who obtained the consent of the two when he met separately with each of them in the morning.

McCurry asserted that in their meeting, Clinton applied no pressure on Netanyahu to yield on any of the substantive issues, but that Clinton had suggested ways for the parties to move ahead.

"Clearly, the discussions so far today have gone a long way toward reestablishing that notion of trust that must exist between the parties as they have their dis-

cussions," McCurry said. At one point, US peace team coordinator Dennis Ross entered the Roosevelt Room to find

Netanyahu, Hussein and Arafat chatting amiably and shaking hands, McCurry said.

The Netanyahu-Arafat meeting occurred following a luncheon Clinton hosted for his three guests in the White House's private quarters. Clinton and Hussein left the room, leaving Arafat and

Netanyahu alone.
Yesterday's talks, which also included Jordan's King Hussein, were held under a news blackout reminiscent of that which prevailed in the Dayton talks that led to last year's Bosnia peace treaty. For that reason, a briefing Netanyahu had scheduled for Israeli reporters was canceled.

A series of press conferences are scheduled today, however, after the talks end. A concluding statement is expected, that will reaffirm that violence should not be used as a method to achieve political gains, something Netanyahu has been demanding.

has brought the other [Palestinian]

side to think twice about returning

(Continued from Page I) "We are using the time to improve our preparedness. In most places the Palestinian Police are trying to maintain quiet. But it is a tense quiet," Dayan said.

Maj.-Gen. Amiaz Sagis, head of the Technology and Logistics Branch, told Channel 2 that the army was preparing to maintain its deployment through the winter. "We are preparing for an extend-

ed stay. The winter is at the doorstep," Sagis said. "And we are readying ourselves for it."

In an hour-long interview yester-day with Army Radio, Mordechai indicated that the timing for opening the Hasmonean Tunnel exit could have been better. "My opinion was that we had the

right to open the tunnel. The principle problem, in my opinion, was the issue of timing because timing has meaning," he said.

Despite the heavy IDF losses, Mordechai said the IDF had properly deployed to meet the raging crowds and had "significantly reduced the gunfire on soldiers. "I think that I as minister of defense acted with responsibility

to the peace process because other options are much more danger-Mordechai blasted Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat

for personally instigating the riors.
"He is the one who instructed that violence and incitement be increased. Only he apparently didn't estimate that it would deteriorate into the use of weapons and spread," Mordechai said. "I blame the Palestinian Authority for the way it behaved and am not prepared to accept that some Palestinian figure fires at the IDF or Israeli citizens and we feel uncomfortable and start a process

of blaming ourselves."

Prior to visiting the wounded troops, Dayan surveyed the situation at Joseph's Tomb in Nablus. He said that Israelis were still barred from visiting the shrine.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

THE WEEKLY MEETING of the English-speaking Jerusalem Rotary Club regarding the instructions, orders at the YMCA, King David St., at 1 p.m., and deployment," Mordechai said. will NOT take place today. "This deployment is what today

Happy holiday and a happy new year to all.

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expected the summit to run into "rejection, serious rejection by

Egypt did not expect the summit to produce "any results of note," but it was important to maintain the involvement of the US, "which we welcome."

While defending Mubarak's absence, Moussa supported

Arafat's decision to attend: "He has to go, in his capacity as leader of the Palestinian people, with tremendous support from the Palestinian people and the Arab

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"It is up to him to say 'yes' and 'no' as appropriate," he continued. "Egyptian diplomacy stands fully behind the Palestinian side, even though it is absent from the Washington summit."



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20,000 at anti-government rally in TA

SOME 20,000 people flocked to Tel Aviv's Kikar Hamedina area last night for an anti-government demonstration organized by Peace

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Some 600 policemen were deployed at the square, an unusual venue for such demonstrations. But the demonstrators were quiet and orderly, chanting along to peace anthems sung by David Broza and Miri Aloni. Aloni closed the demonstration with "A Song for Peace," which she sang just minutes before prime minister Yitzhak Rabin's assassination at a rally last November.

Demonstrators waved banners reading "Netanyahu is bad for the country," "Peace Now" and "East Jerusalem equals Vietnam." Labor

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Beilin, Meretz MKs Yossi Sarid.

Naomi Chazan and Anat Maor, and

other politicians at the rally vowed

to continue mass demonstrations

for the next four years if necessary,
"If Bibi implements the peace
process, we will support and help
him," Beilin shouted. "If not, he

will see us in every square and at

every junction around the country."

He urged Netanyahu to redeploy the IDF in Hebron, acknowledging

that "we can only reach an agree-

ment if Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat complies."

Sarid, the next to appear onstage,

shouted to the cheering crowd, "We

don't want Netanyahu to return

without an agreement in hand. "I don't know if Bibi has ever seen

ploy in Hebron and allows armed

Palestinians forces to enter the city.

Foreign Minister David Levy reportedly sent a message to the US

administration last week, saying

that "domestic considerations" pre-

It was no coincidence that

Minister Binyamin Netanyahu to launch immediate negotiations following the Washington summit and to make Israel and the Israeli people his first priority, and not the

"Bibi [Netanyahu] should come down from his high horse," he said from the heavily guarded stage. "He has made a terrible mistake. He cannot throw this whole country into a whirlpool because of his inexperience and superfluous stubbornness.'

The Hasmonean Tunnel, he added, was "just one step too far. It has exploded right in our faces." The crowd swayed and chanted in response, "Bibi get out of the

white smoke, but very soon we will see black smoke, ashes and more bloodshed," he said.

Describing Netanyahu as "that small agitator" and "provocateur," Sarid slammed him for continually blaming the left for its "irresponsi-

bility."
"Who is irresponsible now? Sarid repeated several times."Who is responsible for dividing up Jerusalem? Who is responsible for last week's bloodshed, for the 20 centimeter hole in the wall of death [the Hasmonean Tunnel]?

There are now two possibilities - that the ship that we are all in will crash into the rocks and sink and we will sink with it, or that Bibi can return from Washington with an agreement, he dare not come

clude Israel from closing the exit to

the Hasmonean Tunnel. These

"domestic considerations" are

opposition from the right. Protest

leaders on the Right have expressed

a willingness, if needed, to illustrate

this opposition by means of high-

profile demonstrations. These kind

of anti-Netanyahu demonstrations

could actually serve the prime min-

ister's interests.

Avigdor Kahalani last night vowed that the Third Way would leave the government if Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu failed to advance the peace process during the Washington summit, or if he decided to close the Hasmonean Tunnel because of US pressure. Kahalani made the declara-

INTERNAL Security Minister

tions before thousands of Third Way party supporters in Katzrin last night and earlier yesterday at another ceremony to mark the 110th anniversary of the founding of the first modern-day Zionist farming village on the

The ceremony, organized by the Golan Residents Committee, was held at the site of the former village of Ramtaniya, which was settled by a group from Safed in

They lived there for about 18 months before leaving the site and establishing a new farming community known as Bnei

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Kahalani: Third Way

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Yehuda on the southern reaches of the Golan. Bnei Yehuda was later abandoned in 1920. The present day Moshav Buei

Yehuda, a regional center not far from Kibbutz Ein Gev. was established in 1971 and is named after its predecessor.

The former village of Ramtaniya is today in the heart

of an IDF firing zone, which is normally a closed area but has been opened to the public for Succot. Golan Tourism The

Association is organizing free guided tours of the area and distributing maps of the Golan to visitors throughout the holiday. Nearly 3,000 Third Way supporters toured the Golan yesterday as part of the events to com-

memorate Ramtaniya's anniversary and 30 years of Jewish settlement on the Golan.

Kahalani praised the pioneering Zionist spirit of Golan resi-

dents past and present and said the same spirit is needed to keep Jerusalem united under Israeli

Third Way leader Eli Malka said Kahalani had told Netanyahu before he left for the Washington summit that the party would fully support Netanyahu if he achieved

progress in the peace process. "He also told the prime minister, however, that the party would leave the government if the peace process is stopped or if because of US pressure he decides to close the [Hasmonean] tunnel," Malka

Kahalani, at the gathering in Katzrin, underlined the Third Way's commitment to a united Jerusalem and retaining the Golan under Israeli rule and stressed the importance of not yielding to terror.

He maintained that closing the tunnel now would be a blow to national pride.

Right and Left fight for the streets THE country's political parties called off most of their large rallies

at the height of the May election campaign because they feared no one would show up. Following the Rabin assassination and the prevalent feeling then

that the wave of anti-government protests had something to do with the atmosphere that bred the killer. people were hesitant to go out and demonstrate. That period is over.

Both the Left and the Right are using street-corner vigils, protest gimmicks and large rallies to battle for the sentiments of both the country and the world. Not a day has passed since last week's fighting in the territories without an anti-government protest by Peace Now or another left-wing group. And not a day has passed without the right combating this with a pro-Netanyahu action of its own.

All this is testament to the enduring faith these groups have in the power of protest. Peace Now leaders look back with nostalgia at the demonstrations during the Lebanon War that helped change govern-ment policy, while the Right claims its protest campaign against the Labor government helped bring

Netanyahu to power. immediately topple the government - the Right's four years of anti-Labor demonstrations proved that this is difficult - but they can create an atmosphere in which people in the political center begin questioning the ister agrees in Washington to rede-

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wisdom of the government's polices. The Right realizes this, and has decided to fight back. Silence, this reasoning goes, serves the other side. From the Left's point of view, last night's rally in Tel Aviv - and others that are sure to follow - serve a number of purposes: They put the government on notice that there are a lot of people out there who pas-sionately object to its polices; they

help unify the leadership of the Left; and they act as a catalyst, ensuring that the left-wing parties play an active opposition role. The Left's protests are also meant to show the world that there are many Israelis who oppose Netanyahu's polices, something foreign governments can then use to pressure Netanyahu, arguing, "Look, your own people disagree

with you." The protests are also meant to send a more "humane"

picture of Israel abroad. The Right, for its part, is using its protests to show the political center that at this time - when there is intense criticism of Netanyahu both here and overseas - there are many who really do support his policies. True, the Left's protests may not As to the world, the Right's message will really only matter if the protests move from demonstrations in support of Netanyahu, to demonstrations against him - something that could happen if the prime min-

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A COALITION of left-wing parties and organizations -- including representatives from Labor, Meretz, Peace Now, Meimad, Netivot Shalom, the United Kibbutz Movement and Kibbutz Ha'artzi — met yesterday in the office of Labor Party secretarygeneral Nissim Zvilli to coordinate protest policies against the

current government.
Mossy Raz, Peace Now's political director, said it was agreed to work together on large railies, but that each group could also carry out their own initiatives. A small coordinating committee was established to set policy.

Raz said the goals of the protest campaign were broadly defined as being an end to the closure in the territories, and a continuation of the peace process.

On the other side of the fence, the Council of Jewish

Communities in Judea, Samaria and Gaza has called for a demonstration this evening at Sacher Park in support of Netanyahu. The scheduling, however, has annoyed city officials, since it is slated to take part at the same time and location as the concluding events of today's Jerusalem March.

Giora Glazer, director of the march, said the council is "trying to hitchhike on the march, and we are not going to let that happen."

But Yechiel Leiter, spokesman
for the council, said there is no attempt to unfairly use the march in order to swell the numbers of

"There will already be a lot of people out there who identify with Netanyahu," he said. "It is only natural that a march saluting Jerusalem will end with a demonstration supporting the prime min-ister's policies in Jerusalem."

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BLACKPOOL (Reuter) - Opposition leader Tony Blair vowed yesterday to take Britain into a new education-led "age of achievement" if his Labor party, as opinion polls overwhelmingly predict, wins power at the next election.

In a powerful speech to his party's annual conference, Blair sought to earn the trust of voters weary of 17 years of Conservative rule by setting out a detailed "performance contract" for the challenges of the next millennium.

The policy commitments included more spending on education and patient care, halving youth unemployment and forging a newconstructive relationship with Europe.

This is my covenant with the British people. Judge me on it. The buck stops with me. For the future not the past. For the many not the few. For trust, not betrayal. For the age of achievement not the age of decline," the Labor leader said.

Labor leads the Conservatives, who hold their last pre-election conference next week, by more than 20 percentage points in opinion polls.

The repeated references to the importance of equipping Britain's youth to meet the challenges of the new millenium evoked for some Labor listeners the forward-looking rhetoric of two past political heroes - former Labor prime minister Harold Wilson and US President John Kennedy.

"Let us call our nation to its destiny. Let us lead it to our new Age of Achievement and build for us, our children, and their children, a Britain, a united Britain, to win in the 21st century," he said to a long standing ovation.

At last year's conference Blair - 10 years the junior of Prime Minister John Major - dwelt on the need to make Britain "a young nation". This year the leitmotif was similar and based on improving educational standards.

"Ask me my three main priorities for government, and I tell you: education, education and education," Blair said in his clarion call to voters facing an election within seven months.

Promising to lead "a great, radical, reforming government", Blair mapped out plans to create a "national grid of learning" by hooking up schools to the information superhighway.

He also said youngsters would be encouraged to attend summer camps to bring their reading skills up to standard.

Blair acknowledged that some voters remained sceptical of Labor despite the speed with which the party had discarded its socialist past since he came leader in 1994.

"The British people want change. I am sure of that. But they need to trust us," he said.

He recalled how a self-employed electrician he met had voted for the Conservatives at the 1992 election because he feared Labor's instinct was to

stop him getting on in life.

But that was not Labor's purpose, he said: "The true radical mission of the Labor party, new and old, is not to hold people back but to help them get

Almost in the same breath, Blair deliberately distanced Labor from the trade unions, which founded the party a century ago and still provide half its funds. Labor, he said, was the political arm of no one today other than the British people.

"I say to the Bitish people. Have the courage to change now. We are coming home to you. We are back as the people's party, and that's why the peo-ple are coming back to us," he said. The speech was ecstatically received in the con-

ference hall and led bookmakers William Hill to cut the odds on Labor winning the election to 1-3 from Bill Morris, leader of the Transport and General

Workers' Union, told Reuters: "It was a speech of

the times, of the moment. We're ready for govern-"It was fantastic," said Andrew Staples, a 27-year-old delegate. "What he actually said is already well known, but it emphasised his vision. He has a



Labor leader Tony Blair during his impassioned keynote speech to the party faithful at their conference in Blackpool yesterday. (Renter)

Advancing Taliban out to capture ousted military commander

KABUL (AP) - Taliban fighters advanced north yesterday toward the forces of ousted President Burhanuddin Rabbani on the crucial highway linking Afghanistan to Central Asia.

Conflicting reports said the Taliban also were either close to or had captured a key tunnel held by warlord Rasheed Dostum, whose force may be the rebels' only seri-

ous opposition.
The Taliban, mainly former religious students, have been fighting for two years to establish a strict Islamic state. They captured the capital, Kabul, Friday and now hold most of the country.
A convoy of about 20 Taliban

vehicles with 200 soldiers was heading toward the mouth of Panjshir valley, the stronghold of Rabbani's military commander, Ahmed Shah Masood, eyewitness-

Nearly 60 tanks were parked in the area to join the battle.

"The Talilban will attack and try to take control of Panjshir valley because Masood has a lot of ammunition and heavy weapons stashed there," Sher Mohammed

Taliban deputy foreign minister,

said in Kabul. A Radio Kabul broadcast last night said Taliban fighters had pushed 20 kilometers into the Panjshir valley and had taken control of the tunnel 150 kilometers north of Kabul, but the report could not be confirmed.

Ealier, thousands of Dostum's soldiers and senior commanders were reported to have taken up positions on either end of the tunnel, a key pass for the highway. Dostum had sent 40,000 troops to bolster his front line against the Taliban, reports said.

The reports said the two sides were squared off about five kilometers apart at a village near the tunnel, which is four kilometers

But Istanikzai said the Taliban fighters were not trying to fight Dostum. Since taking control of Kabul, the Taliban have been careful not to provoke Dostum.

On Monday, Taliban fighters dynamited the entrance to the Panjshir valley, claiming to have trapped Masood and vowing to try the leaders of the ousted govern-Istanikzai, identified as the ment for alleged war crimes.

Fresh sleaze claims rock Major's reelection hopes

LONDON (Reuter) - Political sleaze returned to haunt Britain's ruling Conservative party yesterlaunches a last-ditch campaign to secure his re-election as prime min-

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Former minister Neil Hamilton stopped a libel case against the day, just days before John Major Guardian newspaper on Monday launches a last-ditch campaign to and angrily denied fresh claims by the newspaper yesterday that he

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Conservative MPs it said had earned "cash for questions" by lobbying in parliament on behalf of Mohammed al-Fayed, owner of London store Harrods.

Several other newspapers also made Hamilton their lead story, reminding electors of a history of sleaze allegations against the ruling Conservatives, who begin their pre-election party conference in exactly one week's time.

The allegations, ranging from MPs' sexual peccadillos through 'cash for questions" to the way the party itself raises its funds, frustrated Major's efforts to drag the Conservatives out of the political abyss in 1994 and 1995.

But recent opinion polls have indicated that, helped by a booming economy, he has started to regain ground. A poll in Monday's

Daily Telegraph said the opposi-tion Labor Party's lead had dropped by six points to 27 in less than a month. Major, who must call an election

by next May, had agreed to give evidence to support Hamilton. He will be relieved the four-week

case will now no longer take the media spotlight away from his party's conference but the publicity surrounding it is still extremely embarrassing.

It has clouded his hopes that the conference will provide an opportunity to emphasize the positive message he can give on the economy and debunk Tony Blair's claim to have transformed Labor into a party that can govern successfully.

Opposition parties are determined to keep the sleaze issue running throughout Major's confer-

Ciller: Iraq pipeline to reopen soon

ISTANBUL (Reuter) - Turkish Foreign Minister Tansu Ciller said esterday UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali had told ber Iraq's oil pipeline would be reopened in a few weeks under a UN plan, state-owned Anatolian news agency reported.

"UN Secretary-General Ghali said the Kerkuk-Yumurtalik pipeline will be opened in a few weeks," she was quoted by the agency as telling reporters on her return from an official visit to the UN General Assembly in New York.

She gave no further details. Father commits suicide after

Japanese police said yesterday.

tiliser. He died in hospital.

The UN plan, agreed on May 20, was to allow Iraq to sell oil worth \$2 billion over six months to buy food and medicine for its people who have been suffering under a U.N. trade embargo since Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990.

But the United Nations suspended the deal early in September after Iraqi forces attacked the Kurdish-held north of the country where the pipeline passes. The assault disrupted plans to place UN oil monitors who would ensure that oil sales were implemented in line with the

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According to an annual survey conducted by the Education Ministry, five children in Japan killed themselves as a result of school bullying last year. Yeltsin, in hospital, meets premier

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TOKYO (Reuter) - A distraught father killed himself after his son was

details of the bullying came to light, local media reports said.

to the son as one of eight classmates who bullied him.

saying investigations were still under way.

quently after their son's funeral to apologize.

ed of taking part in the bullying of a classmate who committed suicide.

The 45-year-old office worker had become increasingly depressed as

He was found unconscious in the back yard of his home in the town of Chiran in the southern Japan prefecture of Kagoshima after swallowing fer-

Police questioned the man last month in relation to the suicide of a 14-

At the time of the questioning, the father didn't appear as if he was going

We were still in the middle of investigating the boy's death... We really are sorry for the man and hope his soul rests in peace." the spokesman said.

The spokesman refused to speculate on the reason for the man's suicide,

Kyodo news agency quoted the headmaster of the boys' school as saying:

"I have heard the father was agonising over the bullying case."

Kyodo quoted the dead boy's parents as saying the father visited them fre-

year-old boy who hanged himself on September 18 and left a note pointing

to commit suicide...he was acting normally," the spokesman said.

MOSCOW (Reuter) - Russian President Boris Yeltsin, in hospital while doctors prepare the ground to operate on his heart, met Prime Minister Viktor Chemomyrdin yesterday, Russian news agencies said.

Interfax news agency said the two men had discussed the situation in the Russian army, where soldiers have gone without pay for months, and talked about general economic issues.

Aides say Yeltsin is working for up to three hours a day in the exclusive Central Clinical Hospital on the outskirts of Moscow. Yeltsin usually meets his prime minister on Tuesdays. Yeltsin has already delegated some responsibilities to Chernomyrdin while he prepares for surgery, expected to be a

blood supply to the heart. Doctors said last week it could take up to 10 weeks to get the president ready for surgery.

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He has said he will hand over all duties to the prime minister during the operation itself, including control of the "red button" needed to launch a nuclear strike.

British woman

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LONDON (Reuter) - A British

woman expecting octuplets lost three babies on Monday when

only about 20 weeks pregnant and doctors said the outlook for the others was bleak.

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others is bleak," said Donald

Gibb, a consultant obstetrician at

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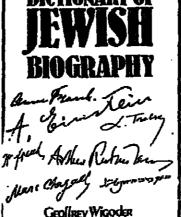
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THE summit in Washington aims to provide new impetus to the Oslo agreements, but those who are due to convene there must bear in mird that the eruption of violence in the terri-tories cannot be interpreted as the collapse of those agreements. What is needed now is the return to basics of Oslo, which never took off the ground in the The alternative is further deterioration in relations between Israelis and Palestinians. To remind us of the basic assumptions of Oslo agreements: Both parties would delay negotiations on the difficult topics, to pave the way for pragmatic approach on improving the econo-

Palestinian Authority and Israeli government, and also security cooperation.

Both sides acknowledged the complexity of final-status negotiations, and desired to exploit the delay to put an end to the intifada, to replace it with economic activity and to enable free elec-tions to the Palestinian Legislative Council, in order to improve the atmosphere and give to an elected body the source of authority on final-settlement negotiations. It is evident now that nothing of this was achieved, and both sides

Israel is responsible for conducting a harsh policy of closures, that contradicted the economic Paris protocols with the PLO, the natural outcome of the genuine spirit of Oslo. This policy was not only

the result of the terrorist attacks on Israeli cities, but also an essential part of the policy of separation.

This policy brought about a rapid and dramatic deterioration of the economic conditions inside the Palestinian autonomous areas, and raised doubt among many Palestinians about the benefits of peace.

The PLO was to blame in not exploiting the Oslo agreement as a reason to begin deep and serious reform, that could enable the Palestinian Authority to become a tool for improvement of Palestinian daily life. The international

community had plenty of good will; it gave the PA generous aid, on the condition that it behaved in a state-like manner and not as an organization. -

The hope that the PA will gradually take the place of the PLO turned out to be naive. On the contrary: the old PLO took over, and strangled the new political cal creature that was the main political achievement of Oslo agreements.

The donor nations did not approve of it, and turned their backs on the Palestinians. Here Israel was also to blame, as it supported the PLO in its evasion of donor nations' demands. This was disastrous to the security ability of the Palestinian National Forces.

The PLO failed the first test when it disturbed the process of building statelike institutions without having any chain of command. Giving the PA rifles was not Israel's mistake; the mistake was in not insisting on the establishment of a real force of command that had responsibility.

A vivid example was given in Meretz leader Yossi Sarid's description of his meeting with Arafat in Gaza. In an article in Yediot Aharonot this Sunday, Sarid was deeply impressed by the efforts Arafat had made to calm the conflict. Arafat contacted in Sarid's presence all field officers to stop the confrontations with the IDF.

Arafat was genuine in his efforts, but Sarid wondered where the Palestinian chain of command was.

If Arafat has to call every field soldier, security could not be secured. It is expected of Arafat to demand reports of his security heads of what was going on — not to manage the efforts personally. The way Arafat behaved was in a "PLO" way, not in a manner expected of the

This leads us to the conclusion that when joint assessment starts with the Palestinians on how to overcome the problem, Israel should insist that the Palestinians' accept the donor nations conditions, as long as any goodwill still exists among them, and building a real security force, of the PA, not the PLO.

Kurdish

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URDISTAN Workers Party (PKK) rebels abducted and killed three

Turkish teachers in the southeastern province of Diyarbakir yester-

They said a group of rebels

seized six teachers from their

homes in the village of Hantepe early in the morning, took them to the countryside 10 kilometers

away and shot three of them dead.

They released the other three, the

Two of the dead were a married

The rebels say they target teach-

ers because they symbolize the

forced assimilation of Kurdish

children into Turkish culture. The

teaching of the Kurdish language

The human rights group

Amnesty International said in a

report released yesterday that the

rebels have killed 90 teachers

since they took up arms for

Kurdish self rule in 1984. More than 20,000 people have died in

The latest attack came just over a week after children in Turkey

returned to school following the

summer break. The rebels have not killed any teachers for more

than a year.

Turkey has blamed rebel com-

mander Semdin Sakik, believed to

have come to Diyarbakir province

from northern Iraq in the last

month, for previous attacks on

Rebel attacks in the area have

A group of about six rebels with

a heavy machinegum and assault

rifles opened fire on the Ceylan

cafe frequented by policemen in

the town of Maden on Monday

night.
Two junior civil servants were

killed and 17 people were wound-

ed, including six policemen, offi-

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UWAITI women won't be voting or running for office in next week's parliamentary elections. But if the campaign they launched Sunday succeeds, they'll be at the polls in the year 2000.

"Please stand up and give yourselves credit for making the impossible happen today," Lubna Seif Abbas told a kickoff rally.

The US-educated Abbas was joined by about 300 other women - including many lawyers, doctors, artists and other educated Kuwaitis - and scores of male supporters. Each wore a tiny blue ribbon, the symbol the group has chosen for its drive for voting

Abbas said the rally marked "a turning point" in women's activism to win the right to vote and run for office, and she promised an educational and lobbying campaign to achieve that

As a first step, the group sponsored a symbolic, one-hour work stoppage Sunday by Kuwaiti women - the first ever in this traditional Moslem society — and said that some 570 had complied.

Women in Kuwait can hold jobs, drive cars, go to school and travel abroad unaccompanied. But the 1962 election law, which set the stage for creation of Kuwait's first National Assembly a year later, gave the vote only to men.

"It is a real tragedy that the rector of Kuwait University [a woman] cannot vote and a male student who has repeatedly failed high school can," Ahmed al-Baghdadi, head of the university's political science department, told a weekend seminar on women's

He said it was up to politically aware women – still few in number in conservative Kuwaiti society - to push both men and women for voting rights.

Kuwait has a population of near-

ly 1.7 million, but the majority are foreign workers. More than half of the nearly 700,000 Kuwaiti nationals are women, and they make up about one-third of Kuwait's workforce.

Still, just 107,000 men will be eligible to vote in the National they are."

Assembly, or parliament, election next Monday. Under the election law, voters must be male, at least 21 years old and able to trace their Kuwaiti ancestry to the 1920s.

Voting rights for women were a hot issue in the last campaign in 1992. A number of opposition candidates supported giving them the vote, arguing that Kuwaiti women had worked hard alongside the men in resisting Iraq's 1990-91 occupation.

The parliament's education committee even approved a bill in June 1995 giving them the right to vote. But the legislation has not come before the 50-member house, which adjourns this week. Analysts say that even liberal

candidates have shied away from the issue during the current campaign for fear of displeasing conservative male voters. As candidate Misha'al al-Otaibi put it: "Kuwaiti people will not accept that their women plan

Kuwait's future." Khaled Khalaf, another liberal opposition candidate, urged the women to bypass the legislative system and appeal to the courts. He noted that the Kuwait constitution, while silent on the question of whether women can vote, prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender, origin, language or reli-

The women face an uphill bat-

Kuwait is a highly segregated society. Boys and girls attend separate schools. Women hold afternoon teas, while men gather at night in "diwaniyas," or informal social clubs. Weddings often involve two parties - one for women and another, sometimes in a different part of town, for men.

Women are seldom invited to the nightly campaign rallies in the run-up to the election, and when they show up they're confined to tents separate from the men. "Women will not get the right to

vote" if they seek it from the new parliament, warned a Kuwaiti woman at one of the campaign ral-

A parliament made up of male deputies means "it's in their own interest to keep things the way



A United Arab Emirates immigration official checks travel documents of one of the 1,300 illegal workers boarding the cargo ship Seawolf 103 for the 5-day voyage to Bombay.

Ship carrying shattered dreams sails from Dubai

AMELO Mendez has noth-

ing to show for the 22 years ✓ he spent away from his family in the oil-rich United Arab Emirates except a missing finger and a shattered dream.

"I don't know how I'm going to face my family after so many years. I've failed to fulfill the promises I made, and now I'm going home empty-handed," the 53-year-old Indian said in frustration as his compatriots nodded in

Mendez is among thousands who came here two decades ago seeking a better life than the one they left back home. Their dreams, based on false

promises of higher income, never materialized. Now, the Seawolf 103, a 2,000-

ton cargo ship which set sail on Monday evening, carries Mendez and some 1,200 others home. Mendez arrived in Dubai in 1974, Iured by oil money and

plenty of work. He was among the

hundreds of thousands that helped

ways and glittering skyscrapers. He explained that he lost his

turn the UAE from a backwater of

fishing villages into a modern

metropolis with four-lane high-

right index finger while working as a mechanic for an air-conditioning company. He rarely wrote to his wife and two children back in Bombay. "How could I write when I didn't

have any money to send to them?" he lamented. The inflated number of illegal

workers, mostly from the Indian subcontinent, prompted the gov-ernment to issue a law in mid-July granting them amnesty and allowing them to leave without fear of punishment.

When they first arrived here, the workers turned their passports over to their employers as required by law. On finding better jobs, they quit - abandoning their passports - and became illegal work-

Like Mendez, many of them had not seen their families in years and jumped at the opportunity to return home without having to pay hefty fines or face imprisonment. As some helped load the ship with tons of food and water, others

large vessel, their home during the six-day journey.

Makeshift toilets and kitchens were hauled on board the Seawolf 103, which officials said was safer and larger than launches used in

the past two weeks to transport the workers. They were scattered all over Hamriyah port, some sitting on stools, others under trees, seeking shelter from the scorching rays of the sun. They yearned to leave,

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I'm not worried about working

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mits would not be able to meet the original deadline. Under the new law, those living illegally in the country after November 1 will be fined, jailed

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Activists jailed for sabotage in Bahrain

SPECIAL security court A handed down prison sentences ranging from six months to five years to 15 men convicted of subversive activities, newspapers reported yesterday.

The State Security Court found the 15 guilty of destroying public property and endangering human lives in arson attacks on a bakery, a restaurant and a car. The court, which sentenced the

men Monday, was set up in March solely to handle cases related to the nearly two-year-old wave of unrest on the island. Its rulings cannot be appealed.

Besides arson, the Gulf Daily News and several Arabic-language papers said nine of the accused were found guilty of making and possessing explosives. They did not elaborate.

The jailings were part of a nationwide crackdown on antigovernment activists, most of them Shi'ite Moslems seeking the restoration of Parliament and better job opportunities.

The government says, however, their campaign for change is merely a cover for a terrorist conspiracy instigated by Iran to set up a Shi'ite Islamic state in Bahrain. Iran, which is overwhelmingly Shi'ite, has denied the charge.

At least 30 people have been reported killed in the attacks, and periodic clashes between security forces and rioters continue in Bahrain, a financial hub and key base for the US Navy in the

region. A slight majority of Bahrain's 400,000 citizens are Shi'ites. The ruling Al Khalifa family is of the rival Sumi sect of Islam. (AP)

Sudanese children protest sanctions

TUNDREDS of Sudanese children held a sit-in Sunday at Khartoum International Airport to protest proposed United Nations sanctions that would ban Sudan Airways international flights.

During the hour-long ceremony, the children held banners rejecting the "unjust and unfair" sanctions which could go into effect in November. The children wore their school uniforms. The sit-in was organized by a non-governmental Islamic organization

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Egyptians suspected in the 1995 assassination attempt on Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in the Ethiopian capital Addis Ababa.
Sudan denies the three men are in the country. Diplomatic sanctions are already in effect against the Khartoum government. Air travel sanctions on Sudan Airways will go into effect mid-November if the country of the country

Saudi king says Israel threatens world stability SAUDI Arabia's King Fahd said Israel's latest actions in Jerusalem not only threatinternational support for the Arab condemna- the world's stability and prosperity."

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Standing firm on Hebron

NE of the main topics on the agenda of this week's Washington summit is expected to be Hebron. According to US officials, President Bill Clinton plans to demand concrete concessions from Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu, with one of these being a definite timetable for an Israeli withdrawal from Hebron.

Netanyahu is already committed to such a withdrawal in principle, and in fact, a senior Israeli official said the withdrawal would have happened this month had it not been for last week's Palestinian attacks. Now, however, the prime minister's position is that while he is willing to negotiate with PLO chairman Yasser Arafat around the clock to obtain an agreement on Hebron, no withdrawal is possible without substantial changes in the security provisions originally set down in the interim agreement.

Netanyahu is right about this, both substantively and tactically, and he must remain firm on this issue. Mere cosmetic changes are not suffi-

Foreign Minister David Levy best expressed the need for security revisions in the agreement when he pointed out that there was no rioting last week in places where there were no armed Palestinian policemen.

"Just imagine what would have been the fate of the Jewish minority in Hebron if Palestinian armed policemen were on the spot," he said. "Having seen what happened at Joseph's Tomb, when Israelis and Jews were surrounded by Palestinian Police, I can only deduce that had that situation happened in Hebron, we would have seen a new pogrom."

Beyond the clear security need for changes in the agreement, however, it is crucial tactically for Netanyahu to achieve such changes. For him to carry out the Hebron redeployment in its original format now - even if this was what he had always intended to do - would be perceived as a concession made in response to Palestinian violence, and would therefore only encourage more violence next time Arafat is unhappy with Israel's positions. If Arafat considers an issue as trivial as the opening of a new exit for the Western Wall tunnel justification for a three-day shooting war, it is frightening to imagine the refusal to cede all of east Jerusal

Palestinian Authority officials have already made it clear that they are not renouncing the option of violence, despite the fact that Arafat is expected to make such a pledge at the summit. This position is evidently supported by the Palestinian "street." A survey conducted over the weekend by the Palestinian Center for Public Opinion showed that 58% of Palestinians support Arafat more strongly because of last week's violence, and an overwhelming 85% termed the behavior of the Palestinian Police who led the assaults against Israeli settlements and army outposts in many places - either "good" or "very good," with more than half choosing the latter. Fifty-three percent supported renewing terror attacks against Israel, and 69% supported a renewed intifada.

The key to this support, however, is revealed by another of the poll's findings: 58% of will enable the PA to make "significant" diplomatic gains.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR I

WARS OF THE JEWS

The only way to ensure that such violence does not recur, therefore, is to make it clear that in fact, violence leads not to diplomatic gains, but to diplomatic losses. Extracting a promise from Arafat that he will refrain from violence from now on is clearly insufficient, since he has already proven that he is willing to violate this promise when it suits him. He also promised to renounce violence as part of the 1993 Oslo Accords, the 1994 Cairo agreement and the 1995 interim agreement, yet none of these deterred him from inciting armed attacks on Israeli positions throughout the territories last

A significant reduction in the power the PA will enjoy in Hebron, however, would be a clear diplomatic loss for Arafat. It might, therefore, make him think twice about trying to extract concessions by violence over other issues, such as Jerusalem or the right of return.

A tough negotiating stance would also enjoy the strong support of the Israeli public. A Ma'ariv poll published yesterday showed that though 54% of the Israeli public think it was a mistake to have opened the tunnel exit - compared to 46% who supported the opening -60.5% oppose closing the tunnel now, due to the belief that it would be an even vorse mistake to

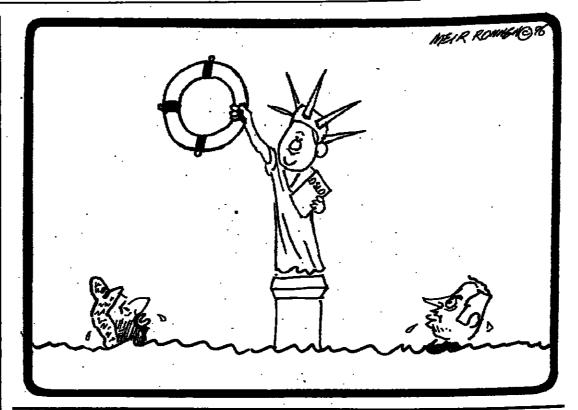
give in to violence. Two-thirds of the Israeli public also said it was a mistake to have armed the Palestinian Police, indicating that there is likely to be strong support here for one proposal Netanyahu has raised: That Palestinian policemen in Hebron either not be allowed to bear arms at all, or be armed only with pistols, rather than assault

The reaction of the Israeli center was best summed up by Yisrael Ba'aliya, a party generally considered to be to the left of Netanyahu's Likud Party. In a press statement issued yesterday, the party urged Netanyahu "not to reward the [Palestinians'] grave and intolerable violations of the agreement." Party leader and Industry and Trade Minister Natan Sharansky, who is accompanying Netanyahu to Washington, said on Monday that the overwhelming majority of the cabinet supports a harder line with the Palestinians than Palestinian response to, for instance, an Israeli Netanyahu has so far taken. Had the Hebron

> week, he added, it would not have passed. Even Labor Party leader Shimon Peres, one of the architects of the Oslo Accords, said yesterday that the behavior of the PA Police is not something that can be overlooked, and that Israel should therefore insist that all PA policemen who opened fire at Israelis be put on trial.

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An overwhelming majority of Israelis -79.5%, according to the Ma'ariv poll - support continuing the Oslo process, but they have been badly shaken by the sight of Palestinian policemen turning their rifles on Israeli civilians and soldiers. It is not clear that Israeli support of the agreement could withstand a replay of this scenario. If Clinton is serious about wanting to do "whatever we can to protect the peace process," he must therefore first and foremost ensure that the PA initiates no more shooting wars - and this means ensuring that the PA is not rewarded Palestinians believe that last week's violence for its gross violation of the basic rules of peaceful relations. A good way to do this would be to support Netanyahu's position on Hebron.



From tunnel to summit

CARCELY had Binyamin Netanyahu raised his head from the depths of the Hasmonean Tunnel then be jetted straight to the White House summit. So fond is the premier of the TV lights that focus on his every meeting with world statesmen that when last week's riots broke out in Ramallah he didn't leave London for Israel at once but flew to Paris to see Jacques

Chirac. Yet cutting short this European trip would have signaled Yasser Arafat that Netanyahu had no intention of overlooking the shots fired at us by the Palestinian police. Had the premier returned to Israel immediately and had IDF tanks appeared that very day outside the towns under Palestinian Authority control Arafat would surely have thought twice about inciting continued rioting.

In any case the visit to the Elysee Palace was less than useless. Immediately after it was over Chirac called Arafat to express support for the Palestinians. Worse, the publicity without which Netanyahu's meetings with European leaders cannot happen set the tone of Israel's response to the rioting.

Instead of ordering actions that would have led the PA to rein the rioting in, Netanyahu telephoned Arafat and requested that he intervene to stop the riots. In other words, Arafat, who had been merrily fanning the flames, was politely requested to help put Well, whoever told the prime

minister Arafat would be ready to do just that was wrong. It was like asking the cat to guard the cream. Only at the weekend did Arafat actually do anything to calm things down.

The prime minister bought this erroneous assessment because he wanted to paint an idyllic picture

MOSHE ZAK

to Chirac and to Germany's Helmut Kohl of a continuing dialogue with Arafat. And Arafat? His conclusion from talking to Netanyahu was that here was an opportunity to exploit the crisis to open a new dialogue with Israel over control of Jerusalem.

Had Netanyahu rushed back from Europe immediately when the crisis erupted he wouldn't have needed to resort to all that PR for foreign ears, which is what forced him to make the inopportune statement that Arab merchants would benefit from increased tourism to the tunnel. When people are being killed you don't talk about tourism.

There was a signal Netanyahu should have sent Arafat.

but didn't

And had Netanyahu demonstrated on his return to Israel that the issue went beyond economics or history Israelis wouldn't have waxed so cynical over the price in blood of 50 meters of tunnel.

THE TUNNEL itself isn't worth a single drop of blood. But the dispute isn't over the tunnel. It is about Israeli sovereignty over all Jerusalem.

channels. First is the PA's attempt to establish centers of power inside Jerusalem: then there is its attempt to freeze Jewish development in Jerusalem, whether that means the building of new neighborhoods or archaeological excavations that reveal Jerusalem's

Jewish past. Arafat's claim that the Oslo comments on current affairs.

agreement prevents Israel from "Judaizing" Jerusalem is totally baseless. Nowhere do the Oslo agreements question Israel's absolute sovereignty Jerusalem.

The gesture that the Israelis who signed the agreement made allowing mention of Jerusalem during negotiations for the permanent settlement - doesn't hold the city up for grabs or annul Israel's Basic Law determining that the city is, in its entirety, an inseparable part of Israel.

It might have been possible to come to some agreement with the PA over the tunnel. But it would have involved too high a price for Israel's capital to pay and for the nation to swallow. It would have amounted to recognizing the PA's right to veto Israeli activities in Jerusalem; or, alternatively, to granting the PA the right to demand compensation for conceding something it has no rights over in the first place.

Jerusalem's Palestinian resi-

dents, like Israel's whole Arab population, are guaranteed all civil rights. But the PA has no status in Jerusalem, and the city itself simply isn't negotiable either at ground level or below

Netanyahu needs to spell this out to our security chiefs so they will see as a non-starter any deal that presents redeployment in Hebron as a quid pro quo for Palestinian aquiescence in opening the tunnel.

Leaving the tunnel unopened would have been better than opening up Jerusalem to admit any PA status there. Netanyahu must refuse to discuss the tunnel during the Washington summit, no matter what Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says.

The writer, a veteran journalist.

Staunch friends

PATRICK GOODENOUGH

6 TF there are attacks against us, they are always preceded by terrible vilification. If there's been any wellspring in the history of antisemitism, it is to describe the Jewish people as the poisoners of the wells... It is that same repetition of libelous slander... that has always sparked the worst attacks against our people."
Last weekend TV news viewers watched Prime Minister

Netanyahu utter these words in an uncompromising speech that included the assurance that his government would not close the Hasmonean Tunnel. Some watching Netanyahu would have noticed that a banner covering the podium bore the word "Christian." They may have heard mention that the premier was addressing "5,000 Christians."
On some networks enthusiastic applause for Netanyahu's firm stance would have been observed.

Israelis more used to seeing Christian spokesmen throw in their lot with the Arab cause might have wondered about the audience that gave the prime minister such a warm reception, in sharp contrast to the flak he had come under during his most difficult week since the elections.

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Succot, drawing thousands of visitors. This year they gathered from more than 100 nations. Traditionally Israeli prime min-

isters have accepted invitations to

celebration in Jerusalem during

Our stand makes us unpopular but we 🙃 uphold Israel's cause wherever we go

address the opening night of the event, and have received standing ovations.

Netanyahu earned the loudest cheers last weekend when he enunciated the type of positions that make Arabs seethe and leftwing Israelis cringe. "It is a special delight to see you tonight, here, in Jerusalem, the eternal capital, undivided, of the Jewish people."

Christian friends of Israel hold the views we do because we believe the Bible, absolutely; and it states unequivocally that the Jewish people has an eternal, God-given right to all this land.

Undeterred by the criminal bias prevalent in much of the world media, we attempt to uphold Israel's cause wherever we go. challenging our friends, our churches, our media and our governments.

OUR STAND makes us unpopular, not least among some of our co-religionists, one of whom was quoted this week as saying we do not represent Christianity. This is neither new, nor particularly surprising.

For years we have seen "Christian representatives" ally themselves with the Arab and Moslem positions on Israel. We have witnessed their ceaseless condemnations of Israel, even as they ignore their fellow Christians' suffering under Islamic oppression in Lebanon.

Egypt, Iran and Sudan. We have heard them warp history and the Scriptures for political gain, in the process making such bizarre assertions as the one that pops up like a bad smell every Christmas in the vicinity of Bethlehem that Jesus was a "Palestinian." And we didn't need a compass on Monday to dismiss as yet another ludicrous fabrication the claim by a churchman in Ramallah that the Hasmonean Tunnel "goes like a sword through Christian and Moslem holy places."

Our position is clear: we will support, in prayer and action, Israel's right to exist within secure and feasible boundaries, and Jewish communal life, to flourish in the disputed areas and on the Golan. We will fight the battle of truth wherever and however we are able. We will stand together with Israel whateverhappens, even when - especially when - no one else does.

The writer is a South African

Fanaticism and folly

VER since the prime minister made the fatal mistake of opening the exit from the Hasmonean Tunnel, there have been attempts to shift the blame onto the governments of Yitzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres.

This isn't the first time since becoming prime minister that Binyamin Netanyahu has tried to hold the previous government accountable for his own blunders

and it probably won't be the

For accuracy's sake it's worth setting the record straight.

The most serious and false charge is the claim that the violence wouldn't have erupted had the Palestinian police not had rifles. But the concept of a strong police force was laid down back in the Camp David accords, which state that during the interim period "a strong local police force will be established, which may include Jordanian citizens."

No government in Israel would have contemplated arriving at an interim agreement without enabling the Palestinians to operate a police force for maintaining order in the autonomous areas and contending with extremist elements within the Palestinian camp.

Weapons of varying types were already present in the West Bank people in this dangerous situation. It and Caza Strip in sufficient quantities to surprise the BILL OAKFIELD Palestinian Authority when it arrived in the cities. These arms had accumulated over the decades the Palestinians were under our rule, and the fact that they weren't used during the intifada was because the leaders of the uprising had made a political decision to refrain from employing them.

The weapons the Palestinian Barak before deciding to issue Authority received were Israeliinspected and registered, clearly General Shahak may be good at a very significant point.

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During the period in which the way or the other), but I'm happy to Palestinian police has been leave matters of judgment to others. active, there has been a very sucYOSŞI BEILIN

the IDF. Extremist phenomena and Hamas-instigated riots have been squelched, and a number of terrorist attacks inside Israel have been prevented.

The fact that last week Palestinian rifles were aimed at IDF soldiers is grave indeed and

In opening the tunnel exit, Netanyahu opened up a Pandora's box

cannot be dismissed; but it should be noted that on Shabbat Palestinian policemen were already serving as a buffer between the enraged Palestinian masses and the IDF - something they couldn't have done had they

ANOTHER false claim is that the previous government was also inclined to open an exit from the Hasmonean Tunnel. It's true that, like Netanyahu,

we also didn't consider another tunnel opening an offense against Islam or the Palestinians; we also understood the advantage to tourism that would ensue from But we understood something

act in such a location harbors the seeds of violence. After talking to the Palestinians we realized that we couldn't be

sure there wouldn't be an outburst, as had occurred in the past over similar incidents during which even Yitzhak Shamir as prime minister decided to close the tunnel.

What is central isn't the fact that we debated the issue, but that we decided against it. Netanyahu, on the other hand, took an uncalculated risk, ignoring the opinion of senior security

people. We could all have waited until the final-status arrangement in May 1999 before opening the tunnel.

A third claim goes like this: It's good this has happened. We've exposed the Palestinians in their moment of truth. Better to learn the bitter truth now than later, when the final-status talks are in full swing. But that is the greatest mistake

of all. In opening the tunnel exit, Netanyahu opened up a Pandora's Box. Within hours we found ourselves up against the guns of the Palestinian police, the Egyptian army in Rafiah, the Arab League, unprecedentedly harsh condemnations from Jordan and stormy demonstrations by Israeli Arabs in Nazareth, Jaffa, Ramle and Lod, as well as censure in the UN and the world.

Opponents of the political process are rubbing their hands together and saying: "You see? We told you so. There's no one to talk to. The Arabs are the same old Arabs. The world is cynical. It's down to the bomb shelters and plan for the next war."

Anyone not ready to accept this terrible verdict must understand that we are in the midst of a very fragile process. Peace won't happen in a day. One of its enemies is extremism and fanaticism; the other is folly.

We must stand our ground and refuse to overlook the grave incidence of Palestinian policemen shooting at Israeli soldiers; at the same time we must understand that a seeker of peace needs to be cautious and understand how his actions and words may be construed by the other side.

Making peace is difficult. Destroying the process is easy. The question is who would stand to gain. I am not at all sure it would be our children and grandchildren.

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to read the letter "Wars of religion"

by R. Willers on September 24.

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admitting to awareness "that car-

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which states that Christians had

wars against Moslems and Jews and

that Moslems had wars against

Christians and Jews, but objects to

the humor of "Jews wage religious

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appreciate that we Jews are famous

for jokes against ourselves and in

any event, as far as Israel is con-

cerned, Kirschen is absolutely right

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Kenneth Berg

coming from that direction. Personally I found the cartoon hilariously true and have it pinned to the wall of my study. Additionally (please forgive me, Mr. Kirschen), I made a number of photocopies which I dispatched to friends and relatives in England together with New Year cards (one actually went to Wembley Park from where your correspondent wrote).

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as good an example as any, we even

hear talk, God forbid; of civil war

INDIAN JEWRY

Sir, - I am a journalist from Cochin, South India, now in Israel, and trying to publish my third book, The Records Upon Indian Jewry. The other two are Synagogues in India and Cochin Jewish Records From State Archives.

I wish to request your readers to contact me and provide me with any informative material such as photos and copies of articles, which will be returned, with acknowledgment,

Please help me to record Indian

Jewish history and traditions for the

benefit of the next generation.

when the book is published.

BEN ELIAHU ELIAH, POB 781, Haifa, 31007

NO NEGOTIATIONS **UNDER VIOLENCE**

Sir, - Your editorial, "No surren-

der to violence" (September 27) was 100 percent correct. It cannot be reiterated strongly enough that there can be no negotiations while violence continues. Arafat should be left in no doubt that we hold him responsible for inciting his people to riot, maim and kill. Western condemnation of Israel (as usual) is, as you said, incomprehensible, unless it is put alongside the biased world media TV coverage and the lies and wild accusations flung about indis-criminately by Palestinian leaders in one TV interview after another and swallowed wholesale by people abroad. Also Mr. Peres and his party should remember what country they

comfort to our enemies. Our government is acting correctly and responsibly by doing all it can to calm the situation and protect our deserves our unqualified support. Netanya.

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JUDGMENT

Sir, - The broadcast media have been making much of the fact that the government did not consult with General Shahak before opening the Hasmonean Tunnel. I seem to recall that the previous government did consult with General Shahak and weapons to the PLO.

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The writer, a former minister, is a Labor MK,

journalist working for the International Christian Embassy Jerusalem.





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In W. Samoa, you don't have to be crazy to love Israel

Pilgrims want to see for themselves that Israel is not in heaven, but here on this earth, Jessica Steinberg reports

RESSED in a purple flowered caftan, with a pink flower tucked behind her ear and curly brown hair reaching her waist, Donna Alone-Le Tagaloa doesn't look like a typical

microbiologist. Then again, the 27-year-old Western Samoan is on a two week vacation, visiting Israel for the annual Feast of Tabemacles.

Many of the pilgrims now here



Donna Alone-Le Tagaloa, a Western Samoan pilgrim.

are middle-aged pastors with their congregations from small African and Asian countries making their fifth or sixth pilgrimage to the bib-lical land of milk and honey.

Some visitors have scrimped and saved, trekked and traveled, in order to make this much longed-for journey.

As a microbiologist working in a hospital in Apia, Western Samoa's capital, Tagaloa earns about \$11,000 a year. The airfare to Israel costs \$8,200, and the 30hour route starts from her small island of 160,000 people in the South Pacific, landing first in Fiji, then Los Angeles, another leg to London and finally landing in Tel

According to Donna, when her father heard that she was contemplating the trip he said, "How much do you earn? And how much is the trip? Are you crazy?"

To which she responded, "No, I'm not, I just want to go to Israel to tell them that I love them." Tagaloa and her fiance, Anisello loane - a 28-year-old computer programmer whom she met while volunteering for a ministry youth program - first thought about making the journey to Israel when they heard about the experience five months ago from Suitipe Maria Schmidt, also from Western

Schmidt, a factory caterer, was thinking about returning for a second trip but lacked the necessary

The three joined forces, went to their prayer meetings to find the strength and guidance for such an endeavor, and then started the fundraising process. Several bar-becues, walkathons and lollipop drives later, they had \$4,000 and four months until the festival. They walked into the bank and asked for three loans which were granted along with raised eyebrows and 6 percent interest.

"We had no qualms at all," says Tagaloa. "You see, there are those who believe that Israel is in heaven, not on this living earth. But we knew differently and we had to come see it for ourselves."

They also asked family members from New Zealand and America for funds, and contributions started filtering in, \$20 bills

and \$1,000 checks. Three days ology in New Zealand, where she before they were scheduled to leave, Schmidt went over to the bank to withdraw the money and was told that all loans had been frozen for an indefinite period of

"I went back there and said to them that not by might, not by power but by spirit we can open those loans," she says, laughing at herself. Sure enough, the next morning she got a call from the loan officer who said that theirs were the only ones being granted

"You see, we knew in our hearts that this trip is really for God and that if He really wanted us to go, he would provide the money, explains Tagaloa. "And the real reason that we were going was to open the spiritual eyes of our friends and neighbors, to show them what's happening in the Holy Land through our experi-ences." While they're here, their friends and family are fundraising for money to pay for the outstand-

It's not an unusual occurrence in a culture where everyone pitches in, contributing money for friends' and family weddings, funerals and other events. One fellow congregant, an electrician, sat in front of the loan officer's door until he was granted a loan, which he then donated to the three pilgrims for their trip.

"He also wants to come to Israel," says Schmidt, "and he made a vow that he won't shave his beard until he arrives here."

So far, the trip has been worth every cent that they were lent, even though Tagaloa and her fiance will have no money for their wedding at the end of the year. But, she says, they'll have a small wedding and it will be all the sweeter knowing that they spent their holiday in Jerusalem.

"For us, it's all about creating a personal relationship with Yeshua," she adds, slanting a quick look at Ioane. "Because through that personal relationship with Yeshua, I discovered Israel, and that was due to meeting other people who had that experience, who were reborn."

Tagaloa was reborn as a Christian after studying microbi-

Schmidt and Ioane's family members. The three prayed for their families at the Western Wall and met an older woman who "knew God like the back of her hand." She believes that one can tell if hope that their prayers will be answered.

person is truly sincere by "You know," says Schmidt, whether they can hear God, and if "Although we went through this they can, it's because they came to Israel. While her sisters and the hard way, running around for mother are reborn, her father and money and people said why are brother are not, and neither are you wasting your time, I just want

to say thank you Lord because we appreciate every minute of this

loane adds, "And when the Messiah comes, hold onto your coattails because it'll be quite a trip, and then we'll see you back



The Princess of Swaziland (left) and the Queen of Lesotho relax during their visit to Israel. (Haran)

behavior modification

RUTH MASON

Ejector-seat maker marks 50 explosive years There's nothing cold in

blasted himself out of a Meteor jet fighter, paraclitted to the ground and walked into a nearby pub for a pint of beer.

just successfully completed the first live test of the Martin-Baker ejection seat, a device that has saved the lives of more than 6,500 pilots and aircrew.

After downing his reviving ale, Lynch described the experience of sitting in an ejection seat and being fired out of the Meteor's cockpit into the slipstream at a height of 2,500 meters as like "being thrown into a brick wall."

tion seat in 1942 and the Swedish company Saab tested its own version a year later, but the British-built Martin-Baker seat has captured three-quarters of the Western market.

Even in peace time, the company says there are two or three ejections from combat aircraft every week around the world, usually as a result of engine failure.

Company was founded by James Martin, an irascible engineer from Northern Ireland who conducted a long feud with the British govern-ment, which he believed did not appreciate the value of his invention in saving the lives of air-force pilots.

son, was asked in 1944 by the Air Ministry to work on an ejection seat, the product that set his company on course for the next 50 years.

With the advent of jet aircraft flying at high speeds, it was no longer possible for pilots in trouble to open the canopy and jump out unaided, as in the Battle of Britain, before pulling the rip-cord and parachuting to the ground.

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The Martin-Baker Aircraft

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The first ejection seats were developed by building groundbased metal towers which allowed the seats - and volunteer testers to be fired upwards on runners

without flying off into the air. When fitted to aircraft, the early seats blasted pilots into the air using an explosive cartridge, and in the 1960s there was a switch, to rocket-powered seats.

These fire ejectees out of their aircraft at a rate that will cause them serious injury unless they are strapped in - accelerating from zero to 200 km/h in less than a second after they pull the yellowand-black handle between their

The first person to use the Martin-Baker ejection seat in earnest was Joe Lancaster, now aged 77, who in 1949 was a test pilot at the controls of an experimental "flying wing" aircraft, the Armstrong Whitworth AW52.

A newly published biography of Sir James Martin describes how Lancaster's aircraft suddenly hit turbulence and began shaking violently, throwing the pilot about so fiercely that he could no longer even focus on his cockpit instruments.

He ejected successfully, avoiding a canal and breaking his fall by crashing through a hedge.

Rescuers found him drinking a cup of tea in a nearby farmhouse. He had suffered a chipped shoulder bone, some cracked vertebrae and a lot of bruises. It had taken about 15 seconds from when the aircraft started shaking until he ejected from the cockpit, feeling

like a pea in a matchbox." Lancaster continued his career as a test pilot until 1960 and did not have to eject again.

Sir James Martin died in 1981 at the age of 87, having never lost his contempt for government meddling in his work. At a Buckingham Palace recep-

tion he once told then prime min-

ister Harold Wilson: "Mr. Prime Minister, you know that our line of business is ejection seats." Then, referring to the official residences of the prime minister and chancellor of the exchequer, he added: "Now if you bought a large number of these seats and fitted them to some of the useless people you have at No 10 [Downing Street] and the building next door and fired them through the roof, you could then make a clean start." (Reuter)

based on behavior modification techniques, e.g. for toilet training, stopping the bottle, get-ting your child out of your bed at

see a lot of advice in your col-

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night, etc. This goes against my grain. Are there other approaches to getting your child to do what you want him to do? Debby Porten, marriage and

family therapist at Shiluv Institute. replies:

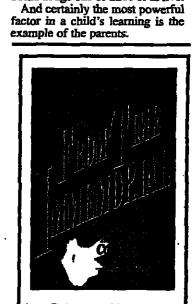
It seems to me that if behavior modification techniques perturb you, you might be seeing it as kind of cold, distant training. The techniques may seem harsh to you or unrelated to who your child is.

But the principles are helpful in guiding your child. It might be helpful to look at some of the ideas that lie behind behavior modification and see how they could be adapted to what is comfortable to you, makes sense to you and fits your family's style.

For most children, pleasing the parents, being able to succeed in a task and enjoying their own growing competence is sufficient

When we say "reward" here, we mean a smile, the approval or pleasure of the parent. Punishments or explicit gifts are rarely necessary when the parents communicate satisfaction and pleasure at the child's growing competence.

We need to repeat the instructions and the reinforcement, because children don't learn at



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When you want to change a

behavior that is difficult for the

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him to give up something he's

attached to, you need to give him

lots of support and encouragement.

You may call this behavior modifi-

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On the other hand, you may

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Wednesday, October 2, 1996

Currency reserves cross \$10b. mark

Shekel up 0.9% against dollar

Jerusalem Post Staff

ISRAEL'S foreign-currency reserves reached an all-time high of \$10.262 billion in September, an increase of \$740 million over their level at the end of the previous month, the Bank of Israel

reported yesterday.

The ongoing influx of foreign currency into the banking system is generally attributed to the relatively high interest rates offered on shekel deposits, due to the central bank's long-standing strong

Meanwhile, the shekel appreciated yesterday by nearly 0.9 percent against the dollar to NIS 3.192, recovering from the beating it suffered on the previous trading

The shekel's recovery apparently stemmed from traders' expectation that the White House summit between PA Chairman Yasser Arafat and Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu would help restore political calm after last clashes between Palestinian policemen and IDF

soldiers. The Bank of Israel's basket of leading foreign currencies now stands at NIS3.5668.

This is a mere 28 basis points above the central bank's selfimposed trading bands, which are limited to 7% above and under an annually sketched diagonal of expected inflation in the major

EU okays PA's place in Med trade bloc

LUXEMBOURG (Reuter) - The European Union pledged yester-day to continue financial support for the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and approved plans to include the fledgling Palestinian lucrative Mediterranean trade bloc.

EU foreign ministers approved a proposal by the European Commission for Palestinian authorities to be included in the so-called Euromed accord, which governs the 15-nation bloc's relations with Mediterranean part-

The timing of the mandate could be seen as a boost for Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat as he prepared for the U.S.-led peace summit in Washington with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Jordan's King

Foreign Minister German Klaus Kinkel welcomed the EU's commitment to financial support, saying: "We have concentrated our efforts more on the economic side and it should remain that way."

The Euromed Accord - which aims to turn the Mediterranean region into a free-trade zone offers lucrative financial incentives to non-EU countries to bring their economies into line with the 15-nation bloc.

The mandate given to the commission to negotiate Palestinian entry means the fledgling territory could be included by the end of this year.

The EU is the biggest donor of financial aid to Palestinian authorities and since 1993 has

contributed over 320 million ecu European currency units (\$400 million) to development of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

This assistance will continue until 1998, with the EU committed to at least 50 million ecu a year in further development

A statement by the Commission the EU's executive - said the agreement would comply with all World Trade Organization rules.

It said the agreement would allow Palestinian authorities to group all goods produced for export in the West Bank or Gaza Strip under one point of origin label - important for EU import

regulations.

While the agreement seeks trade reciprocity; it does allow for some protection by the Palestinians of industries considered "fragile." This would allow them to restrict certain EU imports or impose tariffs on

Approval for the mandate comes after a rash of diplomatic activity between the EU and Palestinian authorities ahead of the Washington summit.

Arafat met some EU foreign ministers in Luxembourg on Monday night on his way to Washington, where he asked for more financial assistance to offset the effects of the closure. He said this was costing Palestinians some \$6 million to \$7m. a day.

Italian Foreign Minister Lamberto Dini said the closure meant EU aid intended for reconstruction was having to be divert-

Sept. deficit NIS87m.; excess budget spending at NIS9b. for year

THE budget deficit grew during September by an additional NIS87 million, the Finance Ministry

reported yesterday.

While lower than expected,
September's deficit nevertheless means the government's excessive spending has been veering further away from its legally allowed limit for 1996, which stands at 2.5 per-

cent of gross domestic product.
Including last month's deficit,
this year's excess spending has
already totaled NIS 8.9b., which is NIS 1.3b. above its allowed limit.

Last month Finance Minister Dan Meridor said this year's deficit is likely to hit the NIS12b. mark, which is close to 4% of GDP.

The ballooning budget deficit is largely due to the Treasury's failure to adequately forecast its internal revenues, meaning the government's expenditures were calculated based on unrealistic balances.

Overall domestic spending since the beginning of the year, by both the Labor-led government and its Likud-led successor, has so far

totaled NIS93b., exceeding internal revenues by nearly NIS17b. The Bank of Israel has long contended that the government's failure to effectively address its deficit problem is the major cause for inflationary pressures, which at this currency earnings.

were last year, when the cost-of-living index hit a 26-year low of 8.1%. The central bank's anti-deficit recipe, namely additional budget cuts over the NIS4.9b. package approved by the new government for the next fiscal year, has been dubbed by Treasury officials as

politically unrealistic. The Treasury - along with various business circles - has attacked the central bank for its strong shekel policy, whereby ostensibly high interest rates render shekeldenominated loans too expensive for local entrepreneurs, and a strong

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Integrated Technology to make initial public offering today: Integrated Technology USA, Inc., which operates two Jerusalembased subsidiaries, expects to make its initial public offering today. The company will offer three million shares of its common stock at S6 per share. The company and its local subsidiaries, ITI Innovative Technology and Compuprint, design, develop and market innovative products for the Internet telephony and computer and telephone inte-gration markets. Shares will be listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol ITH.

Al Italia buys \$2.65m. of equipment from Rada Electronic Ind.: Al Italia, the Italian airline company, has purchased \$2.65 million worth of maintenance system equipment from Rada Electronic Industries. Known as CATS, the system was originally designed for military systems but her beautiful and the system was originally designed for military systems. military purposes but has been modified to meet the needs of commercial airlines. Rada, a Nasdaq-traded company, includes US Air, Olympic and British Airways among its customers. Jennifer Friedlin

Pharmos Corp. begins phase II in dexanabinol study: Pharmos Corporation, the Rehovot-based developer of original pharmaceuticals, announced yesterday it has begun a phase II study of its lead neuroprotective agent, dexanabinol, in head trauma patients. Pharmos is developing dexanabinol as a treatment for neurological damage associated with stroke, head and spinal cord injuries.

BDM Fashion wins rights to market Dupont products here: BDM Fashion, owned by Piere Binsard, has been awarded the exclusive rights to market Dupont products in Israel. Dupont, established in 1872 in France, is a designer and manufacturer of exclusive accessories for men and women. Last year the company's worldwide turnover was \$140m. Binsard said he expects local market sales for the first year to be about NIS1.5m.

Galit Lipkis Beck

Elbit sells subsidiary for \$29.7 million

JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

has completed the sale of 80 percent of its wholly-owned holdingcompany subsidiary, which is the sole shareholder of Inframetrics. Inc., to an investor group led by Advent International Corporation and Inframetrics' management. Elbit said that the sale is a part of

a strategy to demerge its interests into three separate companies which will focus on the defense, health care and commercial business industries. Proceeds from the sale were

\$29.7m., and the transaction will result in a one-time profit of about \$10m. for Elbit which will be recorded in the third quarter.

Elbit's holdings in the Billerica, Massachusetts-based Inframetrics a manufacturer of thermal imaging industrial applications, observa- Fibronics' subsidiaries to MRV tions systems and border surveil-

ELBIT Ltd. yesterday announced it lance - will be reduced to 20% and the company allowed to nominate one of seven of Inframetrics' board of directors.

Based in Haifa, Elbit Ltd. designs, develops, manufactures and markets a range of advanced systems, products and services in the defense, medical imaging and commercial fields.

Advent International Corporation of Boston is a leading private equity investment firm, with about \$2 billion under management. The purchasers have retained an option to acquire the remaining 20% from Elbit for \$10m.

This week Elbit also announced its board of directors approved an agreement to sell the majority of the assets of Elbit's wholly owned subsidiary, Fibronics Ltd., a Communications for \$22.8m

Heisten family wants acceptance of bid for Mercantile by end of year

THE Heisten family of American-Jewish bankers is prepared to wait its intention to purchase 100 perno later than the end of this year cent of Mercantile Discount Treasury to respond to the offer, Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary for the Treasury to accept its proof Israel Discount Bank, in partposal to purchase Mercantile nership with British businessman Discount Bank in its entirety, a representative of the family here Bernard Schreier.

said yesterday. Accountant Shlomo Ness said the family, based in Indiana, insists that all proceedings per-taining to the transaction be fully

completed "within months." Three weeks ago the Heisten family made an offer to Finance

Jewelry Fair in Sharjah.

Gemologist Christian Dunaigre (left) and sales agent Jeffery Bergman pose in the United Arab

Emirates with the world's largest known emerald cluster, worth an estimated \$50 million. The

cluster of 127 medium green emeralds weighing 380,000 carats (76 kilograms) is owned by an unidentified Asian who plans to sell it. The emerald is now on display at the Mideast Watch and

> The offer, which does not include a price tag, was passed on to Meridor by Treasury directorgeneral David Brodet, who is currently looking into the matter.

According to Ness, the Heisten family will not be willing to wait more than a month or two for the

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

and thus demonstrate its seriousness in actually implementing its declared privatization designs.

Brodet could not be reached for

In 1994, Bank Discount, which had already held half of Mercantile Discount, declined to purchase the remaining 50% from Barclays Bank UK.

Several months later, following a series of legal proceedings, the

He said the South African Law

Commission had recommended

that financial institutions be

forced to keep effective records

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It also recommended the estab-

ous transactions.

acted illegally, since it did not obtain a permit for the transaction from the central bank.

As a result, the bank was instructed to sell the Mercantile Discount 50% stake, which it had acquired from Barclays Bank, while the government, according to the Banking Law, mandated that the bank sell the remaining

Following these decisions, Bank Discount was scheduled to publish a tender for the sale of

60% of its holdings in Mercantile. and the remainder through war-But Schreier, who was on the

verge of purchasing the shares from Barclays Bank in January 1993, prevented the publication of

In a suit, Schreier demanded that Discount sell him 50% of Mercantile.

The legal proceedings between Schreier and Discount are expected to continue for several more

Daimler-Benz workers protest

STUTTGART, Germany (Reuter) -About 100,000 workers of German industrial group Daimler-Benz AG participated in a protest day against sick-pay cuts, the Daimler-Benz works council said yesterday.

Karl Feuerstein, head of the group's works council, said the protests took place at over 50 work sites around Germany and had included participation from Daimler's DASA aerospace and debis information system units.

"Daimler-Benz management did not reckon with the reaction of the workforce and with the fact that a number of carmakers would not accompany it [in making the cuts]."

South Africa's justice minister: Money laundering threatens new democracy taken to "collectively combat this

CAPE TOWN (Reuter) - Money laundering and drug trafficking are major threats to South Africa's fledgling democracy and future economic well-being, Justice Minister Dullah Omar said yesterday.

Opening a three-day conference on money laundering, Omar said now that South Africa was an open society, "the super gangsters have identified [it] as a fresh and innocent market for money laundering and interna-

They were aided in this by the

secrecy" built up in South Africa by covert government operations under apartheid, which had spilled over into the private sec-

became a daily feature of South African political and economic life," Omar said. As a result, many South

Africans hid their sources of income and did things "off the book," sometimes with the aim of transferring their money out of the country.

Money laundering also promotpervasive and almost obsessive ed the growth of a secondary

"underground" economy, debilitated the financial sector and perverted business morality, Omar

The "super gangsters" were backed up by access to sophisti-"Corruption and dishonesty cated computer technology, which made them almost invisible to ordinary law enforcement

said.

Omar said all African countries were affected, and although statistics on the extent and scope of the problem were "not readily available," it was clear it was an

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lishment of a central financial intelligence unit to keep track of such transactions. Parliament is currently examining legislation to enforce this. . The conference, which is being increasingly serious crime.

Every effort therefore had to be sponsored by the Commonwealth Secretariat, brings together dele-· from Commonwealth countries for the first in-depth examination of

money laundering in Africa. Patrick Moulette, the secretary of the Commonwealth's financial action task force, said it was vital that all countries adopted strict regulatory regimes to monitor money laundering and ensure it was eliminated. the lines... trading action

Reading between you have time for until 11 PM. JOIN IOB TELEBANK

Seagram breaks TV-ad taboo **MARILYN HENRY**

AIMING to whet Americans' taste for whiskey, Seagram is breaking one of the American advertising's lingering taboos - by advertising liquor on television. Although American television

stations greedily gulp down lucrative beer commercials - which usually are wrapped around weekend sports programming the liquor industry for a half century has had a voluntary custom of shunning TV advertising to avoid promoting the product to children.

US President Bill Clinton, as well as health advocacy and consumer groups, have reportedly asked the distiller to honor the ban. Seagram which is controlled by Canada's Bronfman family - declined.

After a trial run on Texas TV earlier this summer, Seagram expanded its ad campaign, the reports said. "Tasteful" ads for Chivas and Crown Royal whiskey are expected to run in small TV markets, but news reports said only after 9 p.m.,

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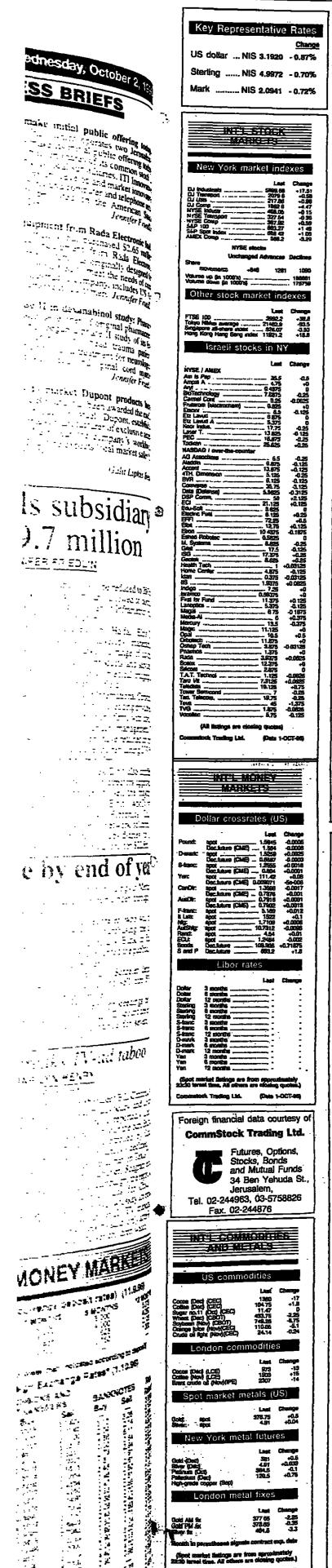
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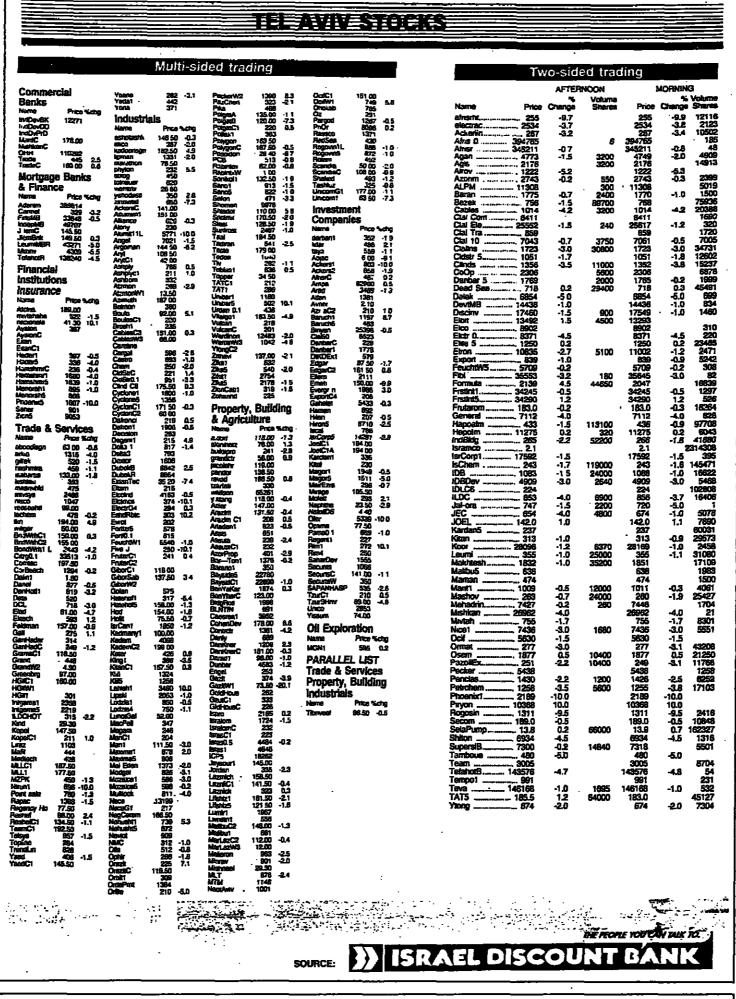
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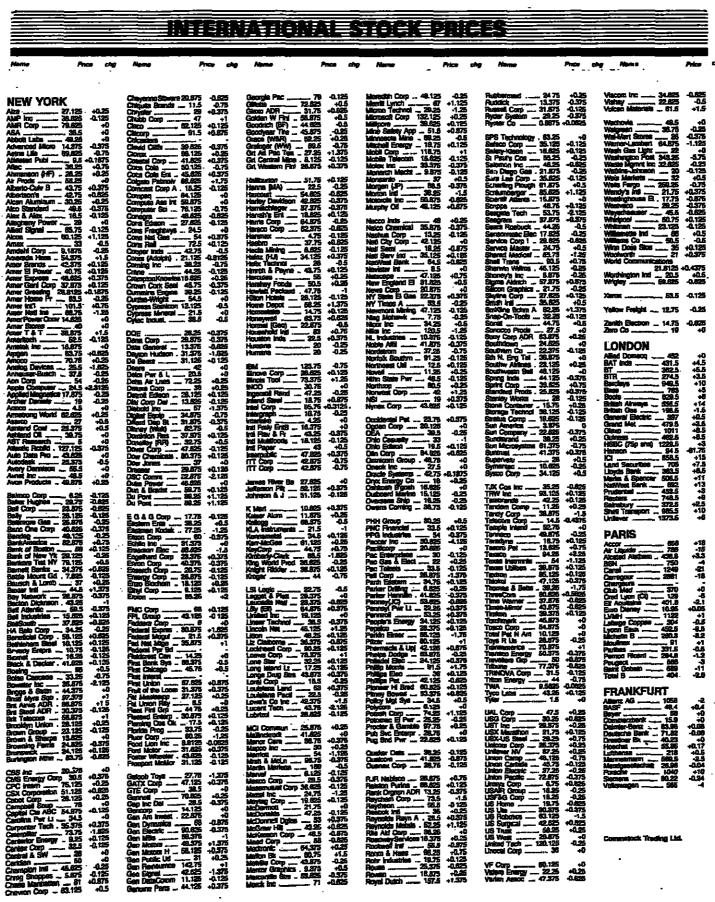
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Shares decline as shekel rebounds

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Two-Sided Index

SHARES declined yesterday as the shekel rebounded against the US dollar, threatening the nation's exporters.

Africa-Israel Hotels led the decline, falling 10 percent, the daily limit. Most of the major banks and chemical companies also lost

ground. The Two-Sided Index dropped 1.41 percent to 184.09, while the Maof Index declined 1.23% to 193.49.

The most active stock was Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. which fell 1% on NIS 3.2 million worth of shares traded.

"There's disappointment over the dollar coming all the way back," said Ron Weiserg, trader at Israel Brokerage and Investments in Tel Aviv.

The shekel strengthened to 3.192 per dollar - its level last Friday - from 3.22 on Monday. It had weakened 2.2% against the

Maof Index

dollar last month.

A stronger shekel hurts exporters, who are the backbone of the economy, by making their products more expensive for overseas

buvers. In addition exporters pay salaries and costs in stronger local currency while earning revenue in weaker dollars.

The dollar strengthened on Monday largely because of the unrest last week.

Analysts say investors, confronted by political instability, will tend to swap local currencies for the relative stability of the dollar.

A devaluation can help exporters, but it can also speed up the economy and accelerate inflation.

Stock investors watch inflation because the Central Bank has fought price increases with higher (Bloomberg)

FTSE closes at record high

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuter) The London stock market scored a record don shares to near the key 4,000 close yesterday, less than two level on the FTSE 100 index. points below its all-time trading peak, while other major European bourses put on a mixed performance and the dollar consolidated recent gains.

US data provided no great shocks for markets concerned about interest rate prospects and gold revived after investors earlier took flight, sending it to its lowest for 18 months.

In a currency market on the watch for problems with European modetary union, the mark rose to 1,001.70 lire after French President Jacques Chirac said Italy might not be among the first countries to join a single European currency in 1999.

But it later slipped back to around 997.30, below its previous close of 998. Italy responded angrily, suggesting that Chirac should stay out of Italian affairs.

Wall Street edged higher, breathing a sigh of relief after weaker-than-expected data for the US September National Association of Purchasing Management index eased inflation fears. The index declined to 51.7 in September from 52.6 in August. Economists had forecast a reading of 52.5.

Another key barometer of the US economy, the Conference Board's index of leading indicators, which forecasts economic trends six to nine months ahead, rose 0.2 percent in August after an identical 0.2% July gain.

Markets were more concerned about Friday's all-important US non-farm payrolls figures for September.

Higher futures and bond prices and the view that cash-rich funds could channel money back into

the equity market boosted Lon-

One senior London trader said the market was "more likely to go up than down - the most important reason being there is cash around. Supply looks relatively limited and the demand could be quite good."

The market shrugged off news of a higher-than-expected British September purchasing managers index - 53.4 against a forecast 51.9 - which could suggest higher interest rates.

Among individual shares, Imperial Tobacco, one of four firms created from the demerger of conglomerate Hanson, started trading at 390 pence, surpassing share analysts' most optimistic expectations, and finished at 3931/2

German shares ended a calm session a little firmer with investors holding back after last week's record-breaking performance.

"We are low on economic news, low on corporate news. This market is really still drawing breath after the push upward we had last week," said one Munich

French shares finished lower after digesting recent strong gains.

The dollar hit 21/2 year highs against the yen on Monday, boosted by signs that Japan's economic revival was faltering and the gap between US and Japanese interest rates was widening.

It showed a limited decline against the yen yesterday, after a series of sometimes puzzling comments by Japanese officials on how Tokyo might want the dollar to perform, but edged up against the mark.

WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (AP) - Blue-chip and large-company measures edged to new highs yesterday as interest rates fell in the bond market on the latest economic news. But technology shares slumped amid more profit-taking on September's rally.

The Dow Jones industrial average added nearly 23 points, notching a new high and its first close above 5,900.

The Standard and Poor's 500 list and the NYSE composite index, which are also dominated by larger companies, padded Monday's record highs.

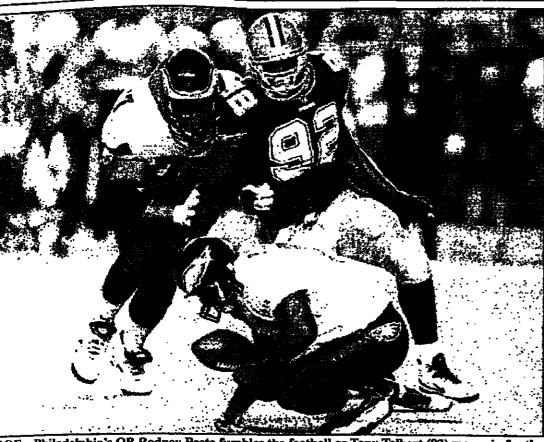
Despite the records, stocks meet in November.

struggled through much of the session even though interest rates fell to their lowest level since Au-

Bonds rallied after a morning report showing that the manufacturing sector's growth slowed in September,

Although investors were cheered last week when the Federal Reserve decided not to raise its key lending rates, some remained concerned the central bank's policy makers will be forced to slow the economy with higher interest rates when they

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OOF - Philadelphia's QB Rodney Peete fumbles the football as Tony Tolbert (92) moves in for the sack. Richard Cooper looks on. Peete was injured on the play and will be out for the season. (Renter)

Cowboys edge Eagles, 23-19

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - The Dallas Cowboys live.

Lifted from their lethargy by Herschel Walker's kickoff return, the Cowboys beat the Philadelphia Eagles 23-19 Monday night to restore their credibility and avoid the low slot in the NFC East.

It was a performance by Dallas' prime timers - Troy Aikman, Deion Sanders, Emmitt Smith and Walker, who had a 49-yard return after the Cowboys had fallen behind 10-0 on Philadelphia's first two possessions. That ignited a run of 20 straight points in a 16minute span of the first half, highlighted by a brilliantly executed 96-yard touchdown drive.

The Cowboys' defense, led by Sanders and Leon Lett, had six sacks and forced five turnovers.

Three of the turnovers set up field goals by Chris Boniol, including an interception by Sanders, whose 39vard reception was the game's key offensive play. The fourth was George Teague's interception that stopped Philadelphia's final drive at the Dallas 30 with two minutes left. The win put Dallas (2-3) a game

behind Philadelphia (3-2) and two behind Washington. And the Cowboys get another prime timer, Michael Irvin, back for their next game, at home to Arizona on Oct.

The Eagles, meanwhile, will be without their quarterback, Rodney Peete, for the rest of the season. Peete tore the patellar tendon in his right knee when he slipped left in the half.

How big was this win for

The Cowboys, who fell behind 10-0 on the Eagles' first two possessions, would have been three

Redskins had they lost. Moreover, they came into the game doubting themselves - they had just one offensive touchdown in their last six quarters.

But the return by Walker, who returned to Dallas for the minimum salary after he was released by the New York Giants, seemed to provide a spark that had been lacking.

The Eagles took a 3-0 lead on Gary Anderson's 36-yard field goal, then followed that with a 65yard, nine-play drive capped by Ricky Watters 2-yard TD run on fourth-and-one. But Walker took the kickoff and

burst up the middle to the Philadelphia 44. Seven plays later, on a third-and-goal from the 5yard-line, Aikman rifled a ball off his back foot to Eric Bjornson in the back of the end zone.

On their next possession, the Cowboys were set back by two penalties - a holding call on Darren Woodson that set them back to their own 4 to start the drive, then a clip by Aikman on a reverse to Sanders that made it second-and-22 at the 14.

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games behind the Eagles and have turned the game - Sanders took off down the left side on a fly pattern, got inside of Troy Vincent and took in a perfect pass from Aikman at the Philadelphia 47.

Six plays later Smith, who rushed for 92 yards in 22 carries, capped the drive with a 5-yard TD run and suddenly the Cowboys led 14-10. The official length of the drive was 96 yards, but with penalty yardage added, the Cowboys actually netted

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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

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BALTIMORE (AP) - After the umpires showed up late, the Baltimore Orioles struck early and

never let up. Brady Anderson opened Baltimore's first playoff appearance in 13 years with a leadoff homer, B.J. Surhoff homered twice and Bobby Borilla added a grand slam as the Orioles beat the Cleveland Indians 10-4 yesterday in the opener of their first-round AL playoff series.

Game 2 of the best-of-5 series will be played today in Baltimore. The Orioles, who set a major-league record with 257 home runs during the regular season, built a 4-I lead in the opening three innings against the defending AL champions. After Cleveland got within a run, Bonilla capped a five-run sixth with his first playoff homer in 14

Manny Ramirez homered for the Indians, who led the majors with 99 wins this season - including seven in 12 games against Baltimore, the wild-card team.

Umpires from both leagues threatened to boycost the playoffs unless Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar was immediately suspended for spitting in the face of umpire John Hirschbeck on Friday night. Replacement umpires were on

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Baseball Playoffs - At a glance

YESTERDAY: Baltimore 10, Cleveland 4; Texas at New York (n.); San Diego at St. Louis (n.)

Today: Cleveland at Baltimore (7:07 p.m. Israel time audio carried live on internet at http://www.wbal.com); Texas at New York; Atlanta at Los Angeles.

finally showed up, but their late arrival delayed the start of the game by approximately 20 min-

Alomar was given a five-day suspension Saturday, but he appealed the ruling and will not have a hearing until after the World Series. Alomar was cheered by the

majority of the 47,644 fans at Camden Yards, but there as also a smattering of boos. He singled in his first at-bat and finished 1-for-4 with a sacrifice fly.

Leading 4-3, the Orioles used two walks and a single by Anderson to load the bases with

replaced starter Charles Nagy and gave up a sacrifice fly to Alomar before reloading the bases by hitting Rafael Palmeiro. Paul Shuey came in, and Bonilla sent a 3-2 pitch deep into the right-field seats to give Baltimore a 9-3

one out in the sixth. Alan Embree

Nagy (0-1) yielded nine hits and

Baltimore starter David Wells, who beat the Indians twice during the regular season, allowed four runs and eight hits in 62-3 innings. The left-hander was removed after he was hit on the left ankle by a hard grounder hit by Kevin Seitzer.

An RBI single by Kenny Lofton got the Indians to 9-4 in the seventh, but Surhoff hit his second homer of the game in the bottom of the inning.

Anderson, who set a majorleague record by leading off a game with a homer 12 times during the regular season, hit Nagy's 1-2 pitch well over the right-field wall in his first career postseason at-bat leading off the first. The Indians tied it on a home run

by Ramirez in the second, but Surhoff restored Baltimore's onerun lead with a solo shot in the bottom half. Surhoff, like Anderson, was making his first playoff

appearance.
The Orioles made it 4-1 in the

Bonilla's grand slam, Surhoff's 2 HRs lead O's over Tribe Palmeiro and a two-out RBI single by Cal Ripken, playing in his first playoff game since the 1983 World

It was the seventh time in the history of the AL playoffs that a team scored at least once in the first three innings of a game. Baltimore has done it three times.

Cleveland closed to 4-3 in the fourth when Sandy Alomar, Roberto's brother, singled in a runand Omar Vizquel hit a sacrifice fly.



PUBLIC ENEMY? - Roberto

Umpires balk, threaten to strike over Alomar decision

Agree to work through today's games

NEW YORK (AP) - Baseball umpires agreed to work the start of the playoffs yesterday and also to work today's games.

"The regular guys are going to ump. Our boys are coming," Marty Springstead, executive director of umpiring for the American League. said in Baltimore. "I don't know if they've settled it, but they're going to work today and tomorrow." Speaking about 20 minutes

before the scheduled start of the postseason game, Springstead said replacement umpires who were on standby at Camden Yards had been sent home. It was not immediately clear

what led to the agreement to work vesterday and today.

The American and National leagues sued yesterday morning infederal court in Philadelphia, the headquarters of the umpires' union, asking for a court order that would force the umpires to work the games.

Umpires voted Monday night not to work the playoffs until Baltimore's Roberto Alomar was suspended immediately for spitting last Friday at umpire John Hirschbeck.

U.S. District Judge Edmund Ludwig met with both sides just hours before the playoffs were scheduled to begin, with Cleveland at Baltimore. Two other games - San Diego at St. Louis and Texas at New York - were set for later in the day.

Lawyers for both sides had been attempting to forge a settlement since Monday. Orioles owner Peter Angelos.

himself a labor lawyer, said yesterday that he wants the games to go forward. Although he called Alomar's actions indefensible, Angelos said the umpires have no right to walk out. Alomar, the All-Star second

baseman of the Orioles, spit in Hirschbeck's face after a called third strike Friday night at

After the game, Alomar said of the umpire: "I used to respect him a lot. He had a problem with his family when his son died – I know that's something real tough in life - but after that he just changed, personality-wise. He just got real

Hirschbeck's 8-year-old son died three years ago from a rare

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brain disease. His 9-year-old son also is afflicted with the illness.

On Saturday, Budig suspended Alomar for five games, but the players' association immediately appealed, allowing the second baseman to continue playing until Budig conducts a hearing, which won't be held until after the World Series.

When informed of the player's comments, Hirschbeck ran into the Orioles' clubhouse Saturday and had to be restrained. Hirschbeck didn't work that day's game, and Alomar hit a 10thinning home run that put the Orioles into the playoffs for the first time since 1983.

On Monday, Alomar issued a written apology that also said he would donate \$50,000 to charities fighting the disease that killed Hirschbeck's son.

That did not satisfy the umpires. "What Alomar did was reprehensible," said umpires' union president Jerry Crawford, a National League umpire. "They think the apology ends it. But that doesn't make up for it. We feel strongly about this, enough that we took this action."

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HELEN KAYE

IT'S Day 2 of the Wine Festival at Rishon Lezion - two days of fun with a Brazilian flavor and fully 50% free shows with groups like Sambrazil and a Brazilian parade.

Over in Holon at the Holon Theater and environs, the Storytellers' Festival gets under way with three days of stories on just about everything from UFOs to crooks from 4 to II p.m. Today there are sea stories, ghost stories and photographer sto-

In Acre, singer Amal Morkos is at the municipal auditorium at 8:30 p.m. as part of the Inbal Ethnic Center Succot festival with the Moroccan group Marhaba performing there

CLASSICAL MUSIC

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

THE Leonard Bernstein Jerusalem International Oratorio and Song Competition 1996 officially opens today with two semifinal sessions (2 and 7) and continues tomorrow with the last semifinal session (7). In each session six singers perform a 20minute recital, each accompanied by

week's final round. At the Henry Crown Symphony Hall in Jerusalem. The Musica da Camera festival at the Suzanne Dellal Centre in Tel Aviv continues with a recital

piano. Up to six singers will advance to next

with Catherine Bott and countertenor Michel Puissant (8:30) tonight. The Abu Ghosh vocal music festival returns for three more exciting days of no fewer than 14 con-

certs and numerous outdoor events in Abu Ghosh, at the outskirts of Jerusalem. The festival opens tomorrow at noon with an extra concert of the visiting women's chorus from Albania.

HAIFA FILM FESTIVAL

ADINA HOFFMAN

GREGORY La Cava's Primrose Path (1940) stars Ginger Rogers as Ellie May, the tomboy daughter of an impoverished alcoholic scholar of Greek philosophy ("them Greeks" as Ellie May calls them), and a prostitute, played with remarkable warmth and frankness by Marjorie Rambeau. When the pigtailed teenager wanders down to the



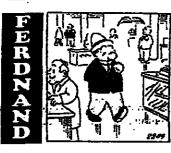
The Gregory La Cava retrospective is one of the high-lights of the Haifa Film Festival. The director's 'Primrose Path' begins at 4 p.m.

> beach one day to dig for clams, she meets a knowing ladies' man (Joel McCrea) and eventually the two fall in love and get married. Almost overnight, she blooms into an adult and, as in all of Rogers's best performances, she comes to seem at once tartly adorable and a little sad. The basic outline veers between melodramatic pathos and over-the-top slapstick (there's a terrific scene early on, when McCrea is trying to get a rise out of Rogers and bounces her this way and that in the side-seat of his motorcycle). What's remarkable, though, is the way La Cava starts with a fairly crude storyline and allows so much startling stage business and unspoken feeling to burst through. (4 p.m., at the Haifa Auditorium.)

DANCE

HELEN KAYE

JULIO Bocca, ballet wunderkind, and his Ballet Argentino dance Don Quixote, Interlaced Symphony and the sensual Tango with Bocca in every dance. The first of five shows opens tonight at Tel Aviv's Mann Auditorium at 8:30.









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ACROSS

7 Ring-fighter pleased to be in the fresh air (9) 8 Sort of snake in the grass

10 Someone not suited for running (8)

11 Novelist about fifty? Not quite (6)

12 Brave man, he has heart of

iron (4) 13 Con-man? (8)

15 Odd sort of brazier (7)

17 They enter the atmosphere

from a remote point (7) 20 At sea no rating is lacking

- - in knowledge (8)

22 This way for a place? You bet! (4)

25 Examination of French

28 Billy tipped as a winner by Stevenson (9)

5 Cast a spell with an appearance on stage (8) 6 Everyone in support of

courage (9)

business (4)

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high-level operation shows

9 Inform against a place of

14 Legendary hero, led

16 Particularly the highest

18 One always remembers the

19 Needs developing, so tried

a body-building drug (7)

21 Turning point in tax

24 Advantage point in a

legislation (4)

23 Eats with the best (6)

penal settlement (8)

German line in WWII (9)

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27 He's almost all in but gets better (5)

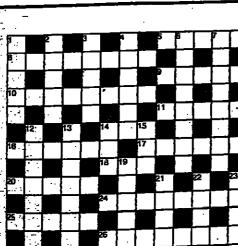
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2 Dare he twist or stick? (6) 3 Not the best of the entries, usually (4,4)

4 A drink and a biscuit (7)

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26 Without a roof (8)

27 Money owed (5)

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14 Type of bread roll
(3) 15 Consume (3) 21 Celestial messenger (5)

19 US refrigerator (6)

TELEVISION

6:31 News in Arabic 6:45 Exercise Hour 7:00 Good Morning Israel **EDUCATIONAL TV**

WHAT'S ON

8:00 Surprise Train 8:25 Kitty Cat and Tommy 8:45 Gaya, Gal and Gili 9:00 Animals 9:30 The Little Eff 10:00 The Box of Delights 10:30 Bears Know Nothing 11:00 The Boy from Andromeda 11:30 First Love 12:00 Grade 98 12:45 This is My City 13:00 The Onedin Line 14:00 Surprise Train 14:25 Kitty Cat and Tommy 14:45 Gaya, Gal and Gili 15:00 Animals EL CHANNEL 1

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Adventures of Dodo 18:10 Musical Notes
18:15 News in English
ARABIC PROGRAMS
18:30 Four Seasons 19:00 News
HEBREW PROGRAMS
19:31 Partners 20:00 Mabat News 20:45
Conference Call 21:15 A Small Town with
Few People 22:15 American Gothic 23:00
As Time Goes By 23:30 News 00:00 Verse
of the Day

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10:50 Trail of the Pink Parither (1982) – the bumbling Inspector Clouseau is called in to find a valuable missing diamond. Starring Peter Sellers, David Niver, Herbert Lom and Robert Wagner 12:30 Top Cat 13:00 Return of the Sheriff 13:30 Alf Together Now 14:00 Echo Point 14:30 Tick Tack 15:00 Beathoven – animated series 15:30 Dave's World 18:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 17:00 News magazine with Raif Reshel 17:30 SporTV – sport magazine for youth 18:10 Mystic Pizza (1988) – Three young women worlding in a pizza parlor in the town of Mystic learn a great deal about life in a relatively small place. Starring Annaboth Gish, Julia Roberts and Lili Taylor. (102 mins.) 20:00 News 20:30 Wheel of Fortune 21:30 Fatal Money 22:28 Back to Front – Hebrew drama senes 23:10 Dogs Don't Bark at Green – a program on the movie 23:45 Thieves Like Us (1974) – Three 1930s bark robbers like to steal and kill and then read about themselves in he press. Starring Shelley Duval. 00:00 News 00:05 Thieves Like Us. continued 00:22 Limelight (1952) – Charlie Chaplin is a hasbeen comedian who rescues a ballerina (Claire Bloom) (145 mins.) 2:37 On the Edge of the Shelf 10:50 Trail of the Pink Panther (1982) - the

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■ MIDDLE FAST TV

7:00 Quantum Shopping 7:00 TV Shop 14:00 The 700 Club 15:00 Larry King 18:00 The A-Team 18:55 Family Createnge 17:45 Family Matters 18:10 Saved by the Bell 18:35 Day and Date 19:30 World News Tonight 20:00 Coach 20:25 Evening Shads 20:50 Bob Newhart 21:15 Flo Lobo – fea-ture film 23:10 Special Concerto 00:00 TV Shop 2:00 Quantum Shopping 3:00 TV Shop

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16:00 Cartoons 16:30 Things Which Can't Be Sold – Arabic love story 17:15 Discussion in Arabic 18:00 Amores 19:00 News in Arabic 19:30 Documentary in Russan – Tevye and his seven daughters 20:00 Mabat News 20:45 Nostalgia 21:00 Baskethall – Hapoel Jerussiem vs Porto, Portugal, live 22:30 Pet Shop 23:40 Ken Loach, British film director

15:30 Butterfly Island 16:00 Forever Green 17:00 Adventures on Request 17:20 Video Clips 17:35 World of Wonder 18:00 Welcome to France 18:30 Communicating with Children 19:00 Everything's Open 19:30 All in the Family – repeat of popular local comedy series, with Russian subtities 20:30 A New Evening, with Russian subtities 20:30 Basic Arabic 21:00 Star Trek – The Next Generation 21:45 Pop Star Trek – The Next Generation 21:45 Pop S2:30 Cleo Sings Sondheim

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IN MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

11:30 Freefalt Flight 174 (1995) - the pilot of a Boeing 767 discovers mid-air that he has run out of fuel (rpt) 13:05 Slightly Honorable (1939) - a lawyer accused of murders sets out to clear his name and uncover the true culprit (rpt) 14:30 Special program about new movie Twister 15:00 The Howard Beach Story (1989) – true story of the case of a black man killed by a white gang (rpt) 18:35 Say Amen, Somebody (1982) – Prize-winning documentary, about exercise streets. Therese Therese mentary about gospel singers Thomas A.

Ocrsey and Wille Mae Ford Smith, includ-ing many of their songs, (100 mins.) 18:15 Special program about Jim Carrey's movie Cableman 18:45 Arnok (French, 1992) – a Special projects and some special projects and special

CHILDREN (8)

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SECOND SHOWING (6)

22:00 Fiorile (Italian, 1993) - The saga of an Italian family, as told by grandfather Luigi, and the stolen gold that brought it both wealth and a curse. With Claudio Sigagli and Galatea Renzi, Directed by Paolo and Vittorio Taviani (117 mins.) 00:00 Keoma - spaghetti Western starring Franco Nero as a half-breed coming nome after the Civil War (96 mins.)

■ DISCOVERY (8)

6:00 Open University 12:00 National Geographic Explorer (rpt) 13:00 Nostracismus (rpt) 14:00 Open University 16:00 National Geographic Explorer (rpt) 17:00 Nostradamus (rpt) 18:00 Open University 20:00 The Dog's Tale 21:00 Cousteau 22:00 People of the Seventh Fire 23:30 The Dog's Tale (rpt) 60:30 Open University

SUPER CHANNEL

6:00 The Ticket 6:30 NBC News 7:00 Today 10:00 European Money Wheel 14:30 Wall Street Morning Report 16:00 MSNBC - The Site 17:00 National Geographic 18:00 The Wine Express 18:30 The Ticket 19:00 The Sefina Scott Show 20:00 Detailine 21:00 PGA Golf 22:00 The Ticket Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Show 20:00 Detailine 21:00 PGA Golf 22:00 The Ticket Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Lenge 23:00 Let to the Sefina Scott Stow with the Se 20:00 Detains 21:00 PCA GOR 22:00 Late Tonight Show with Jay Leno 23:00 Late Night with Conan O'Brien 00:00 Later with Greg Kinnear 00:30 NBC News 1:00 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno 2:00 MSNBC

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6:30 Bodies in Motion 7:30 Basic Training 18:00 Bodies in Motion 16:30 NFL Football 18:00 English Laegue Soccer: Newcastle vs Aston Villa (701) 19:30 Dangerous Games 20:00 Women's Grand Prix Volleyball 21:30 Soccer: League of Champions 23:00 NFL Football 00:00 Boxing

EUROSPORT

8:30 Cycling from Spain (rpt) 10:00 Athletics 12:00 World Cup Soccer 13:00 Boxing 14:00 Street Soccer 14:30 Hang Gliding 15:00 Car Racing: Indycer 17:00 Motor Sports Magazane 18:30 Formula 1 Magazine 19:00 Termis: ATP tournament, France — live 23:00 Formula 1 Magazine 23:30 Car Racing 00:00 ATP Termis 00:30 Show Jumping

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RADIO

A VOICE OF MUSIC

8:06 Morning Concert 9:05 Spohr: Quintat in C minor for piano and winds op 52; Mozart: Symphony no 29; Britter: Diversions for piano left hand and orches-tra; Schubert: Symphony no 9 Great; Groter: Grand Carryon 12:00 Light Classical Grose: Grand Carryon 12:00 Light Classical

Andrew Lloyd Webber: songs from
Phantom of the Opera, Jesus Christ
Superstar, Evita, Starlight Express 13:00
Sergei Nateriakov, trumpet – concertos by
Vivaldi, Telemann, Neruda, Marcello, Bach
14:06 Encore 15:00 Keys 16:00 Couperin:
Royal concert no 9; Scarlatti: Judith oratono; Yizzhak Barzam: Simfonietta for strings
18:00 Mordechai Seter: Ricercare for string
quartet (New Israel Ot); N. Glanzberg: From
Memory song cycle; Korngold: Sinfonietta
op 5 (BBC PO) 20:05 (1) Education Corps
Chamber Orch cond. Mend Rodan, Ankor
Choir, Sharon Kam (clarinet), Yonatan Brik
(violin). Mordechai Seter: Children's songs;
Mozart: Clarinet concerto K622; Bartok
Rhapsody no 1 for violin and orch; Britter
Variations on theme of Frank Bridge. (2).
Borls Berman, piano – Bach: Chaconne, ar Borls Barman, piano – Bach: Chaconne, arr Brahms; Brahms: Intermezzo op 117, Rhapsody op 79/2; Chopin: Schezzo no 1; Debussy: 2 Preludes from Book I; Ville-Lobos: New York Skyline 23:00 Golden Generation – Beethoven's piano and violin smartes. Sonate no 9 in A op 47 "Kreutzer" sonatas. Sonata no 9 in A op 47 "Kreulzer" (Arrau/Szigeti); Bach: Sonata no 1 in G minor for violin solo (Szigeti)

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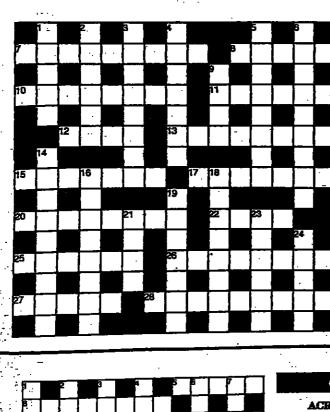
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Weizman appeals to Arafat, Netanyahu

PRESIDENT Ezer Weizman made an emotional plea yesterday to Binyamin Minister Palestinian Netanyahu and Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat to find the path to peace at the sum-

"If we don't go the way of peace we'll get tangled here in a war," Weizman said, in comments made during a condolence visit to the family of Col. Nabih Mari, who was killed on Friday in a clash with Palestinians near Rafiah.

Each side has its own dreams, desires, demands, and therefore, if we sit together, without the sound of shots and ambulance sirens being heard, perhaps there will be hope," he said.

"I hope that we will be intelligent enough to further the peace process that is at the moment foundering a

"I send from here, purposely from here, blessings and wishes to the prime minister and to the chair-

find the way to live together and not to shoot at one another," Weizman said, using Arafat's nomme de guerre.

He said he had a feeling they would find a way to ease the situation, in which case, "at least we will know that those who were killed, including Col. Nabih Mari, perhaps did not die in vain."

Weizman shook the hands of Mari's family members, telling them he had come to share their grief and that of the entire Druse community. He noted the community had paid a price in battle that

was disproportionate to its size. He told Mari's father to be "proud of your son, proud of the entire Druse community in the

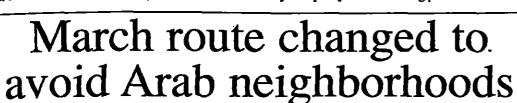
He also told reporters that he had spoken to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, "who listened considerately to what I had to say, but did not necessarily accept my

"I hope that the summit meeting in Washington will not hurt the peace process," he said, adding that he was sorry Mubarak decided not to participate in it. "Egypt was the first to make the brave influential move in the peace process, which the entire Arab world opposed. The president who did this sacrificed his life for peace. Egypt is the key player in the Arab world."

He said he hopes the summit will result in an understanding that the peace process must move forward, in deeds and not just words.

He also noted that when Palestinian forces opened fire on Israeli soldiers, that caused a significant change in the region. Weizman also made condolence

calls on the families of Lt. Michael Dadosh, Sgt. Yehuda Levy and St.-Sgt. Visam Amar, who all were killed in last week's violence. He told Dadosh's family that he hoped the week's events would end



CONCERN for the safety of participants in today's Jerusalem March prompted police to make a lastminute change in one of the routes to steer marchers away from Arab

neighborhoods. Giora Glazer, march director, said it was the first time in the march's history changes were made for security reasons, but that he readily agreed to the police request given the unrest of recent

"A big deal shouldn't be made of this," Glazer said. "It is really only a small change." Police spokesman Shmuel Ben-Ruby also described the changes police demanded

Marchers were to have walked through the Arab section of the Abu Tor neighborhood, and into Silwan, an Arab neighborhood known as a center of unrest. Instead, they are to go through the Jewish section of Abu Tor, and then along the Old City walls, ending up as planned at the Western Wall.

We simply don't have the manpower available to secure hundreds and maybe even thousands of **BILL HUTMAN**

marchers going through Silwan," said one police source, noting that the police force in Jerusalem has been stretched to its limit in recent

The route to the Old City is one of three routes today, with two others leaving from Moshav Beit Zeit and Tsataf Park.

The march is likely to snarl traffic in parts of the capital, with organizers expecting more than 20,000 people to participate despite the recent unrest.

A police spokeswoman said a number of city streets would be closed at various times during the day, and advised commuters to consult newspaper ads detailing the closures, and keep tuned to the radio for updates.

The Ein Kerem entrance to Jerusalem, from Tsataf Park, is slated to be closed in both directions from 6-11 a.m. Bezeq Road will be closed from about 9-11 a.m., with exact times depending on when the marchers arrive, the spokeswoman

said. At about 1:30 p.m., Ben-Zvi Boulevard is to be shut down between the Foreign Ministry and Ruppin Street. Bezalel Street will also be closed at around this time, as will King George Street between France Square and Jaffa Street.

Jaffa Street itself will be closed from about 2-6 p.m. for the march, the spokeswoman said. The march culminates with a concert at Sacher Park slated to start at around 6 p.m., with traffic congestion also expected because of the expected crowd, she added.

Judy Siegel adds:

Magen David Adom has mobilized additional staff and volunteers to be on duty during the

Fifteen ambulances and mobile intensive care units and dozens of medics and paramedics will be stationed along the three routes to Jerusalem and along the parade route in town.

MDA yesterday marchers to drink fluids before starting out, to wear a widebrimmed hat and cover exposed skin with sunscreen.



Succot vacationers line up yesterday in the Western Wall Plaza to go through the Hasmonean

IDF raises helicopter from sea depths, but no bodies found

ceeded in raising the Navy Dolphin helicopter from the sea off the northern coast, but the bodies of two missing officers were not

The army said a Navy robot locat-

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ed the main parts of the Dolphin which crashed during a training exercise two weeks ago - spread out on the sea bed over 500 meters deep.

The robot marked the site so that the foreign company could raise the wreckage. The Navy does not have the equipment to salvage wrecks at army statement said.

To the IDF's chagrin, the bodies of pilot Lt.-Col. Zion Bachar and Lt Eran Gravia were not found. The body of the copilot was located hours after the wreck.

The Navy robot was continuing the search for the bodies along the sea floor and IDF forces were continuing sweeps along the shores, an

Swiss suspect foreign agenda for wartime review

ZURICH (Reuter) - Stamped by virulent attacks from abroad about Switzerland's wartime links to Nazi Germany, Swiss officials and commentators have started accusing foreign competitors of expressly campaigning to discredit the

Politicians and newspapers suggest that foreigners jealous of Swiss financial prowess or in need of a political boost are exploiting the drive for a review of Swiss-Nazi financial deals and a fresh search for Holocaust victims' unclaimed wealth.

The National Council stands up to Senator D'Amato. There will be a probe, but done calmly," was the headline on yesterday's Journal de Geneve after the lower house of

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parliament backed a sweeping historical probe of Swiss wartime history. It was referring to New York Senator Alfonse D'Amato, who has taken a well-publicized interest in the Swiss National Bank's purchases of Nazi gold and the search for potential Holocaust accounts.

'It is no coincidence that especially harsh tones are coming from the City of London or the New York senatorial campaign," charged Marc Suter, a deputy from the Radical Democratic Party.

"One reason this storm of indignation is roaring through the Anglo-Saxon newspapers may be to weak-en Switzerland as a financial center, to undermine Swiss banking secrecy or to deflect attention from their

soldier buried

HUNDREDS of friends and family members attended the funeral in Peki'in yesterday of St.-Sgt. Visam Amar, who died Monday of wounds suffered in a clash last Thursday with Palestinians at Netzarim in Gaza.

He was eulogized by his company commander as an outstanding soldier. Amar had suffered a light wound in his hand two months ago during a clash in Lebanon. His Givati unit was moved to Gaza two weeks ago.

Amar, the fifth soldier to die from the Druse village, left his parents, three brothers, and six

Danny Nahmani petitions again to block wife's use of eggs

THE Haifa District Court will begin hearing a request next week by Danny Nahmani to issue an injunction against his estranged wife Ruti's use of their fertilized eggs via a surrogate mother, a judge decided yesterday.

Last month, the Supreme Court,

in an expanded panel of 11 jus-tices, gave Ruti Nahmani custody over the eggs, which Danny had wanted destroyed.

However, in his suit filed in the

district court against Ruti, Assuta Hospital, and the attorney general, Danny Nahmani argued that Ruti should be barred from getting the eggs implanted in a surrogate mother, since such a move would violate the 1996 Surrogacy Law. Ruti lost her uterus to cancer several years ago and cannot carry the child herself.

According to Danny Nahmani, the law requires both parents to be a party in the contracting of a surrogate mother, since it takes into account the implications of such a step on the father and on the unborn child. The law also requires a psychological and medical exam of both parents to determine their ability to go ahead with the surrogate process.

He added that it is against Israeli

law to contract a surrogate mother without the consent of the father.
He therefore asked the court to ban any use of the eggs, which are frozen at Assuta Hospital.

None of the respondents to the petition yet have submitted their esponses to the court.



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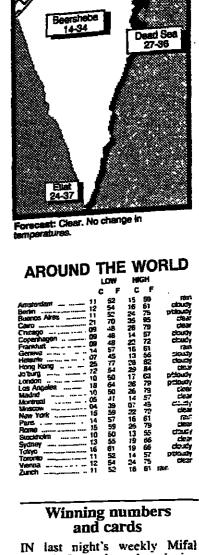
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